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PATH VALLEY, PA. BABY DIED IN HOUSE FIRE

Rachel, 6 month and 20 day old daughter of Reuben and Sarah (Hostetler) Hertzler of Willow Hill, Path Valley, Pa. died of suffocation in a fire that destroyed their house on Saturday evening, January 16. Sarah left the house at 5:30 to help with the milking and left the baby in its crib in the bedroom. Benuel, aged 2 was sleeping in the kitchen. About 15 minutes later he came running to the barn crying, without any wraps, as he often did upon waking but this time he wouldn't stop crying. After Fannie, Elmer's wife finished milking and started for her house, she discovered the fire and quickly ~~ran~~ back to tell the others. There was no flame in the bedroom. Elmer broke through a window and entered the bedroom to get the baby but was nearly overcome by the intense heat and smoke. Reuben broke another window closer to the crib and with a garden rake pulled the crib to the window and reached down and got the baby but it showed no signs of life. She was rushed to Chambersburg Hospital where she was pronounced dead. They think the fire was caused by an oil stove explosion. In the excitement of getting the baby out nothing else was saved except an overcoat which they happened to grab while getting the baby. Even the garden rake was found afterwards with the handle burned off. Two weeks later the new house was nearly finished. Many workers came to help from neighboring communities, Juniata, Big Valley, Adams County, Lancaster, Brush Valley and St. Mary's Co. Md., plus a lot of natives in the valley, who are Mennonite and Brethren, etc. There are only four Amish families in the valley.

(See obituary)

PA. GIRL DIED IN FLORIDA

Annie, daughter of David S. and Emma (King) King, Gordonville R1, Pa. died January 24, at the Eustis Hospital in Eustis, Florida at the age of 18 years and 11 days. She is survived by 3 brothers, Amos, Elmer, and Samuel and 1 sister, Lydia all at home and her paternal grandmother, Mrs. Annie King, Gordonville R1, Pa. Annie was diabetic and had gone to a clinic in Florida for treatment on Monday the 18th. She lapsed into a coma on Saturday and died that night. Word was received by her parents the next day while they were attending church services. The funeral was held on the 28th at the neighboring farm of Gideon B. Stoltzfus. It was a very cold and windy day, and was a large funeral of around 500 people. Services were conducted by Jonas S. King and Samuel S. King. Hymn "Komm Sterblicher, Betrachte Mich" was read by Bishop Amos E. King. Burial was in Gordonville Cemetery where a hymn was read by Elam Beiler; abshied by Ephraim King

LEBANON GIRL FROSTBITTEN

Lizzie, 3-year-old daughter of Amos G. and Katie (Lapp) Lantz of Lebanon R1, Pa. got her face severely frostbitten Wednesday, January 27, when there was a 50-mile per hour wind. Her parents were in the stripping room stripping tobacco when she awoke from her afternoon nap. She started to go out to them but had such a battle with the wind that she finally just clung to a post and cried until her parents heard her. How long she was there, they do not know, but her face became black and blue from the effects of the cold.

LANC. CO., PA. GIRL STRUCK BY CAR

Anna, 11-year-old daughter of John K. and Betty (Beiler) Stoltzfus, Narvon R2, Pa. was hit by a car Thursday Eve., January 7 enroute home from school. She was taken to Ephrata Community Hospital with a fractured skull. A truck loaded with steel had just passed the children, making a cloud of dust. The driver of a car behind the truck didn't see the children in time and the noise of the truck kept the children from hearing the car. It was at a place where the children cross the road.

"Lasset die kindlein zu mir kommen"
Marci 10:14

BIRTHS

Jamesport, Missouri
  Bontrager, Edward E. (Mary Mast) a dau CHRISTINA, January 13
  Bontrager, Mose M. (Mary Ellen Bontrager) a son EDWARD, November 25, 1970
  Gingerich, Joe C. (Lydia Detweiler) a dau REBECCA, STILLBORN, November 9, 1970
  Miller, John Jr. (Lizzie Mast) a daughter MARY LOUISE, November 19, 1970
  Miller, Levi A. (Katie Eash) a daughter MARY ANN, January 16
  Ropp, Henry C. (Susie Kauffman) a son EDWIN, November 2, 1970
  Shrock, Elvon C. (Rosie Graber) a daughter ANNA MAE, December 9, 1970
  Shrock, Orley (Esther Troyer) a daughter LEANNA KAY, November 8, 1970
  Stutzman, Atlee E. (Ida Detweiler) a son JOSEPH, January 6
  Troyer, Vernon J. (Mary Hershberger) a son JONAS, January 18
  Yoder, Daniel H. (Nancy Shrock) a son FREEMAN JAY, January 2

Johnson County, Iowa
  Gingerich, David and Vera, a daughter MIRIAM, December 24, 1970

Buchanan County, Iowa
  Bontrager, David E. (Anna Helmuth) Hazleton, a daughter ARLENE, January 4
  Gingerich, Olen (Mary Plank) Fairbank, a son OBED, December 26, 1970
  Kauffman, Samuel (Rachel Yutzy) Fairbank, a daughter LAURA, January 3

Arthur, Illinois
  Bontrager, Roman (Katie Herschberger) a daughter RUTH ANN, January 15
  Herschberger, Jacob (Elmina Helmuth) a son PAUL ALLEN, January 25
  Schrock, Edwin (Viola Yoder) a daughter WILMA ANN, January 18
  Schrock, Lewis L. (Viola Hershberger) a son NELSON, January 14
  Stutzman, Reuben (Fannie Louise Otto) a daughter LOVINA KAY, January 7

Daviess County, Indiana
  Lengacher, Glenn (Verda Wagler) a daughter CHRISTINE ANN, January 18
  Stoll, Joel Jr. (Carolyn Knepp) a son LEVI, January 12
  Wagler, Eli (Diana Graber) a son NATHANIEL, January 1
  Wittmer, Enos (Barbara Stoll) a daughter JANICE, January 13

Adams County, Indiana
  Hilty, Andrew (Martha Miller) Berne R1, a son LEON, December 14, 1970
  Hilty, Elmer (Lydia Graber) Monroe R1, a daughter MANDY, January 20
  Graber, Reuben (Barbara Ann Hostetler) Geneva R2, a daughter KATIE, January 16
  Schwartz, Amos (Emma Schwartz) Monroe R1, a daughter LAURA, December 7, 1970
  Schwartz, Enos M. (Rosa Hilty) Monroe R1, a daughter LAURA, January 19
  Schwartz, Levi K. (Rebecca Wickey) Monroe R1, a daughter WILMA, January 30
  Schwartz, Raymond (Maggie Hilty) Monroe R1, a daughter MARY ANN, December 18, 1970
  Wickey, Aaron (Melinda Schwartz) Monroe R1, a son AMOS, December 5, 1970
  Wickey, David (Rosie Eicher) Bluffton R4, a daughter ELLA, January 3

St. Mary's County, Maryland
  Stoltzfus, Daniel U. (Nancy Zook) Mechanicsville, a son JOHN, January 22

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania
  Byler, John (Annie Kanagy) Belleville, a daughter ANNA MARY, January 14
  Peachey, Aaron J. (Annie Kanagy) Belleville, a son DAVID A., January 29
  Peachey, Aaron Z. Jr. (Fannie Byler) Belleville, a son MERVIN, January 17
  Peachey, Ammon (Sarah Peachey) Belleville, twins, a son NATHAN & a dau NAOMI, January 30
  Peachey, John R. (Katie Peachey) Belleville, a daughter BARBARA, January 3
  Peachey, Louis (Mary Peachey) Belleville, a daughter ESTHER, January 24
  Swarey, Urie (Nancy Kanagy) Belleville, a son REUBEN, January 23

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Holmes County, Ohio
Beachy, Mr. and Mrs. David, Millersburg Star Route, a daughter CHRISTINE, January 6
Coblentz, Mr. and Mrs. Robert, Millersburg Star Route, a son, January 3
Erb, Mr. and Mrs. Andy L., Millersburg R2, a son, January 23
Hershberger, Mr. and Mrs. Levi J.,Dundee R2, a son LEVI JR., January 15
Hershberger, Mr. and Mrs. Mose, Mt. Eaton, a daughter, January 6
Hostetler, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob J., Apple Creek, a son DWAYNE, January 4
Keim, Mr. and Mrs. Roy, Sugarcreek R1, a son, January 16
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Ben D., Millersburg, a son, January 17
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Y., Orrville R2, a son WAYNE, January 4
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis A., Millersburg R5, a son, January 11
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Eli, Wooster R5, a son, January 15
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Eli, Apple Creek, a daughter, January 6
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Eli M. B., Millersburg R3, a daughter IVA MAE, January 7
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Joe L., Millersburg R4, a son, January 7
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas M., Baltic, a daughter ALMA, January 15
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Mose J., Millersburg R4, a daughter, January 25
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Paul, Dundee R2, a son, January 10
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Paul N., Sugarcreek, a son, January 2
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Pete M., Apple Creek R2, a daughter LINDA, January 14
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Yost N., Millersburg Star Route, a son JAMES, January 3
Troyer, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne, Dundee R2, twins ROY & RUTH, January 11
Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas, Apple Creek R1, a daughter, January 20
Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Roman, Wilmot, a son, January 24
Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Roy J., Millersburg R5, a son MYRON, January 17
Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Dan E., Dalton, a daughter RUBY, January 15
Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Henry J., Mt. Eaton, a son, January 17
Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. John R., Dundee R1, a daughter ELMINA, January 3
Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas S., Sugarcreek R1, a son JAMES RAY, January 8
Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Neal N., Berlin, a son, January 3
Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Willis D., Sugarcreek R2, a son, January 16

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania
Beiler, Isaac S., (Fannie Riehl) New Holland R2, a son JOHN WAYNE, January 17
Beiler, Joshua M., (Anna Stoltzfus) Christiana R1, a son ELAM MARK, January 2
Ebersol, Leon F., (Nancy Ann Stoltzfus) Narvon R2, a daughter FANNIE RUTH, January 26
Fisher, Benuel B., (Esther K. Fisher) Paradise R1, a son CHRISTIAN F., January 21
Fisher, Daniel M., (Sadie S. Petersheim) Strasburg R1, a son HENRY M., January 25
Fisher, David E., (Anna Mae Stoltzfus) Gap R1, a daughter BARBARA ANN, January 14
Fisher, Elam, (Mary Blank) Quarryville R3, a daughter REBECCA, January 5
Fisher, Elam F. (Emma S. Lapp) Ronks R1, a daughter SUSIE S., January 24
Fisher, John S. (Mary Ann Lapp) 317 Miller St., Strasburg, a daughter LINDA, January 13
Fisher, Moses B. (Katie B. Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1, a son HENRY Z., January 28
Fisher, Sylvan (Mary Smucker) Paradise R1, a son ELMER, January 14
Kauffman, Benjamin E. (Elsie B. King) Bird-in-Hand R1, a son SAMUEL K., January 25
King, Abram P. (Fannie S. Fisher) Gordonville R1, a son ELAM J., January 7
King, Amos B. (Annie Zook) 1975 Horseshoe Rd., Lancaster, a son LEVI E., January 7
King, Jonathan B. (Rachel Riehl) Gap R1, a daughter ELSIE R., January 25
King, Samuel B. (Annie L. Zook) Paradise R1, a son BENUEL Z., January 5
Lapp, Amos S. (Katie Zook) Strasburg R1, a son AMOS Z., January 24
Lapp, Isaac S. (Emma S. Kauffman) Ronks R1, a daughter SALOME K., January 11
Lapp, Moses, (Katie Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1, a son CHRISTIE RAY, January 26
Miller, Jacob K. (Sarah L. Fisher) Quarryville R3, a son SAMUEL F., January 3
Smucker, Levi E. (Barbara S. Stoltzfus) Ronks R1, a daughter RACHEL S., January 22
Smucker, Paul S. (Rachel H. Beiler) 2008 Horseshoe Rd., Lancaster, a son ALLEN B., Jan. 14
Stoltzfus, Amos L. (Katie S. Esh) Kinzers R1, a daughter SARAH E., January 11
Stoltzfus, Elam B. (Katie E. Stoltzfus) Quarryville R3, a son JOHN F., January 26
Stoltzfus, Ephraim K. (Rebecca B. Riehl) Narvon R2, a daughter FANNIE R., January 31
Stoltzfus, John K. (Rachel Lapp) Paradise R1, a son JONAS S., January 11
Stoltzfus, John M. (Lizzie Blank) Bird-in-Hand R1, a son DAVID B., January 11
Stoltzfus, Jonas B. (Malinda Stoltzfus) Narvon R1, a son PAUL, January 1
Stoltzfus, Melvin J. (Barbara Lapp) Lititz R2, a son CHRISTIAN L., January 1
Zook, Elmer S. (Lizzie K. Blank) Drumore R1, a son GIDEON, January 14

Juniata County, Pennsylvania
Yoder, Samuel K. (Katie Weaver) Mifflintown R2, a son SAMUEL K., January 4

Snyder County, Pennsylvania
Schwartz, Moses T. (Mary D. Troyer) a son DANIEL, January 16

Centre County, Pennsylvania
Beiler, Henry (Anna Kauffman) Madisonburg, a son JOHN HENRY, January 29
Stoltzfus, Melvin (Katie Fisher) Rebersburg, a daughter RACHEL KATIE, January 26

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Somerset County, Pennsylvania
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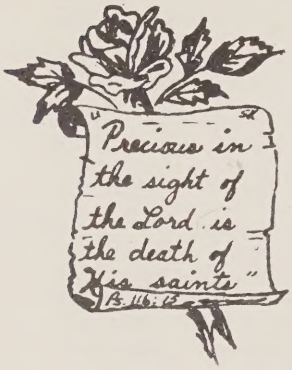
Aylmer, Ontario, Canada
Eicher, Alva (Rosanna Wagler) a daughter LOVINA, January 19

LaGrange County, Indiana
Bontrager, Ernest (Elmina Kurtz) Topeka R2, a son CHRISTIAN E., December 28, 1970
Hochstedler, Daniel (Mary Kurtz) Wolcottville R2, a son OMER D., January 9
Hochstedler, William (Rosa Hochstedler) Millersburg R1, a son AMOS W., January 4
Lehman, Albert Jay (Tressie Hochstedler) LaGrange R4, a son KENNETH WAYNE, January 5
Miller, Calvin (Katie Bontrager) Topeka R1, a daughter VERA SUE, January 3
Miller, Harvey (Ida Yoder) LaGrange R4, a son JOSEPH H., December 29, 1970
Miller, Orva (Ada Yoder) Shipshewana R1, a daughter LA VERA O., January 2
Miller, Perry E. (Esther Bontrager) Shipshewana, a son ELMER DEAN
Otto, Fred (Mary Miller) Middlebury R1, twin sons PERRY J. and JERRY J., January 16
Smucker, David (Martha Barkman) Howe R3, a son DALE ALLEN, January 13
Smucker, Edward (Esther Raber) LaGrange R4, a daughter ANNA E., January 19
Weaver, Harley (Ella Kurtz) LaGrange R4, a son JONAS LEE, January 10

OBITUARIES


"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints"
Ps. 116:15

Brenneman, Lewis E., aged 77 yr., 11 mo., 12 days, of Johnson Co. Iowa died January 12, suddenly of a heart attack on the home place where he was born January 30, 1893. Suviving are his widow Katie (Hochstedler) and two sons, Paul of Iowa City and Raymond of the home place, also 8 grandchildren. Funeral services were held at the home place on Jan. 15 by Bishop Truman Miller, Menno Hochstedler of Milton, Iowa, and John Hochstedler of Jamesport, Mo. in the big house, and by Bishop Levi Schrock and Lester B. Miller in the small house. Burial was in the Dan Gingerich Cemetery. Lewis was the last of the Emanuel Brenneman Family.

Byler, Mrs. Eli J., 34, Ashland, Ohio died January 19 at her home of cancer. She was born July 13, 1936. She is survived by her husband; five children; her father, Christian D. Troyer; eight sisters; and six brothers. Funeral services were held by Emanuel Schrock.

Gingerich, Andy E., 54, of R2, Fredericksburg, Ohio died January 15 in the Wooster Community Hospital following a six-week illness. Surviving are his widow, Amanda; two sons and five daughters, all of the home; a brother, Dan of Berne, Ind.; two sisters, Mrs. Rudy Yoder, of R2, Apple Creek, and Mrs. Noah Mast of R2, Fredericksburg. Burial was in the Simon Yoder Cemetery.

Hertzler, Rachel, 6 mo.and 20 days, daughter of Reuben and Sarah Hertzler, Willow Hill, Pa. died January 16 from suffocation when their house burned to the ground. (See front page.) Surviving besides her parents are a sister and a brother, Naomi 3 and Benuel 2; maternal grandparents, Christ and Naomi Hostetler, Dry Run, Pa.; paternal grandparents, Isaac Hertzlers and paternal great-grandparents, Samuel Hertzlers, both of Mechanicsville, Maryland. Burial was in the Hertzler Cemetery at St. Mary's County, Maryland.

Hilty, Leon, son of Andrew and Martha (Miller) Hilty, Berne, Indiana died soon after birth December 14, 1970 in the Adams County Memorial Hospital in Decatur. This was their first child. Surviving are the parents, and grandparents Levi Millers of Berne and Jacob Hiltys of Geneva. Funeral services were held the next day and burial was in the Schwartz Cemetery.

Hostetler, Daniel Y., 89 yr., 9 mo., and 17 days, of Mifflin County, Pennsylvania died Saturday morning, December 19, 1970 at his home after an illness of 4 months. He died on the farm where he was born but not the same house. He was a son of the late Yost and Elizabeth (Yoder) Hostetler. He lived a widower 7 years, his wife Lydia (Byler) died in August 1963. She was a daughter of the late Menno Z. and Leah (Hostetler) Byler. He is survived by 1 son and 1 daughter, Sadie, wife of Emanuel L. Byler on the home place and Elmer of Selinsgrove, Pa.; 12 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held in the farm house Monday, December 21 by Bishop Jacob E. Byler; Burial in Locust Grove Cemetery. We feel we need not mourn as those who have no hope.

Lapp, infant son of John A. and Katie (Riehl) Lapp, Kirkwood R1, Pennsylvania died at birth Friday, January 8, in Jennersville Community Memorial Hospital. In addition to his parents, the child is survived by 7 sisters and 5 brothers,Katie, Lizzie, Mattie, Rebecca, Rachel, Nancy, Sadie, Aaron, Ephraim, John, Reuben, and Henry all at home; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron K. Lapp, Kirkwood R1, and the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Riehl of Leola R1, Pennsylvania.

Miller, Fannie (Ropp) wife of David M. Miller, of Johnson County, Iowa was born February 11, 1903, died January 9, 1971. Funeral services were held at the home by Ora W. Bontrager, Middlebury, Ind.; Glen Bender and Enos Swartzentruber; in small house by Jonas Beachy and Tobias Miller; burial was in Gingerich Cemetery.

Girod, Elizabeth, 14-months-old daughter of Ernest and Fannie (Swartz) Girod, Stevensville R1, died unexpectedly Monday, January 25 at her home in Bradford County, Pennsylvania. Her cap string caught on a screw in her bed, and she apparently hung herself. In addition to her parents, she is survived by these brothers and sisters, Daniel, Emma, Samuel, Emanuel, Ernest Jr., Esther, Barbara, Benjamnin, Mahlon and Ruth, all at home.

Mast, Mrs. Katie, aged 84, of Millersburg R5, Ohio
died Tuesday, January 12, at her home following a short illness. She was born Sept. 15, 1886, in Holmes County, the daughter of Simon D. A. and Katie (Miller) Troyer. She was married to Reuben H. Miller in 1908; the survivors are 7 sons: Moses R. Miller, of Millersburg R5, Henry R. Miller of Baltic R1, Simon R. Miller of Millersburg R5, Albert R. Miller of Dundee R2, Reuben R. Miller of Holmesville R1, Jacob J. Mast of Millersburg, Star Route, Dan J. Mast of Sarasota Fla.; 5 daughters, Mrs. Dan (Elizabeth) Schrock, Mrs. William (Sara) Yoder, Mrs. Eli (Lydian) Kline and Mrs. Raymond (Lizzian) Weaver, all of Millersburg R5, and Mrs. Melvin (Mattie) Miller of Baltic R1; 3 step-sons, Andy J. Mast of Holmesville R1; Mose J. Mast of Plain City R1, and Eli J. Mast of Sarasota, Fla.; a step-daughter, Mrs. Alvin (Susie) Yoder of Dundee R2; 96 grandchildren; 104 great-grandchildren; 1 sister, Mrs. Dan D. (Emma) Miller of Mt. Eaton. Funeral services were held by Bishop Dan E. Schlabach and Bishop Roy Miller; Burial was in the Mast Family Cemetery in Salt Creek Township.

Miller, Moses N., aged 64, of Topeka R1, Indiana
died Monday, January 11, at his home following a illness of several years. He was born in LaGrange County December 14, 1906, the son of Noah J. and Fannie (Miller) Miller. He was married March 14, 1929, to Emma Lehman, who survives; also 3 sons, Ervin of Shipshewana, Mervin of Ligonier and Harley of Goshen R1; 3 daughters, Mrs. Manas Bontrager Jr. of Topeka R1, Mrs. David Yoder of Shipshewana R1 and Mrs. Amos Y. Lehman of Topeka R2; 26 grandchildren; 2 brothers, Jacob N. and Amos N. Miller of LaGrange; 2 sisters, Mrs. David W. Miller of Sarasota, Fla., and Mrs. Chris D. Miller of Middlebury; a half-brother, Ernest N. Miller of Topeka, and a half-sister, Mrs. Alvin L. Yoder of LaGrange. Funeral services were held by Bishop David Bontrager; Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery.

Otto, Pre. Daniel E., aged 78 yr., 8 mo., 11 days, Arthur, Illinois
died January 13 after lingering several years with emphysema. Funeral services were held by Amos Miller and Bishop Cris Otto; Burial in Otto Cemetery.

Raber, Treva, 7-weeks- old daughter of Joseph H. and Rosemary (Wagler) Raber, Montgomery, Ind.
died in Daviess County Hospital Thursday, January 21. Survivors include the parents, 2 sisters, Sylvia and Bertha, at home, grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Raber, Montgomery R1 and Harry J. Wagler, Odon R1. Funeral services were held by Levi J. Wagler and Bishop Ben E. Wagler; Burial in Wagler Cemetery.

Shrock, Mrs. Katie, aged 64, of Sugarcreek R2, Ohio
died Thursday, January 14 in her home following a long illness. Born in Wayne County, she was a daughter of Noah and Mary (Yoder) Schlabach. Her husband, Dan N., died in 1970. Surviving are 3 stepsons, Owen D. and Eli D. of Sugarcreek R1, and Levi D. of Walnut Creek; 2 sisters, Mrs. Elmer (Martha) Chupp of Wilmot and Mrs. Dan N. (Lizzie) Hershberger of R2, Apple Creek; 4 brothers, Jonas Nisley of R2, Apple Creek, Jerry Schlabach of R1, Fredericksburg, John Schlabach of Star Route, Millersburg, and Noah Schlabach of R1, Plain City, and 10 grandchildren. Funeral services were held by Bishop Jonas N. Bontrager; Burial was in the Rob Yoder Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, Mrs. Annie B., aged 77, of Honey Brook R1, Pennsylvania
died in Ephrata Community Hospital Friday, January 1 following an illness of 3 weeks. She was the widow of John P. Stoltzfus who died in 1956. Born in Talmage she was a daughter of the late John and Jemima (Beiler) Zook. Surviving are 5 daughters, Jemima, wife of Gideon Lapp, New Holland R2; Melinda, wife of Stephen S. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R1; Sarah, wife of Christian L. Stoltzfus, Elverson R2; Annie, wife of Levi Kauffman, Honey Brook R2; and Mary, wife of Henry U. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R2; also 4 sons, Ben Z., Honey Brook R1; Amos Z., Kennedyville, Md., John Z., Warton, Md., and Daniel Z., with whom she resided; 60 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; and a brother, Moses B. Zook, Witmer. Funeral services were held by John O. Stoltzfus and Elam Zook; Hymn read by Christ F. Glick; Burial was in Stoltzfus Cemetery.

Wengerd, Mrs. Levi (Mary I.) aged 84 of Apple Creek R1, Ohio
died Thursday morning, January 14 in her home following a long illness. She lived most of her life in the Winesburg area. Surviving are her husband; 3 daughters, Mrs. John D. C. Miller of the home, Mrs. Emma Etheridge of Vernonia, Oreg., and Mrs. Joseph Wade of Beach City; 5 sons, Roman of Millersburg, Levi of Louisville, (Mource) Massillon, Henry of Canton and Isaac of West Covina, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Nola Chupp of Sarasota, Fla.; 3 brothers, Levi and William T. Weaver of Fredericksburg; 27 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held in the residence; Burial was in the Simon Yoder Cemetery.

Yoder, Amos J., aged 74, of Springs, Pennsylvania
died January 13 in Meyersdale Community Hospital. Born in Elklick Twp. Jan 23, 1896, he was a son of the late John D. and Anna (Miller) Yoder. Surviving are his wife Amanda, 2 sons, Joseph A. of Meyersdale and Joel A. of Springs; 3 daughters, Miss Lizzie Yoder and Mrs. Dora Peachy of Springs and Mrs. Sadie Bender of Berkley Springs, W. Va. 29 grandchildren and a brother Joseph J. Yoder of Meyersdale. Services were held at Niverton.

CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

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Lancaster County, Pennsylvania by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 16 inches and three inches of snow. Farm prices: Eggs, large, .37 per doz., med., .35 per doz.; Fowl, light, 6½¢ per lb., heavy, 14¢ per lb., pullets, 24¢ per lb.; Fat steers, from $27.00 to 31.25 Cwt.; Feeder steers, from 25.00 to 36.00 Cwt.; Choice veal, 55.00 Cwt.; Choice lamb, 26.50 Cwt.; Fat hogs, from 17.00 to 20.00 Cwt.; The Denton feeder pig marker, from 5.00 to 11.00 a head. A load of Canadian cows and heifers sold at Green Dragon at the rate of340.00 to 540.00 a head. Hay, from 25.00 to 52.00 per ton; Straw, from 38.00 to 42.00 per ton; Wheat, 1.80 bu.; Barley, 1.30 bu.; Oats, .90 bu.; Corn, 1.75 bu.; Ear Corn, from 35.00 to 45.00 Ton; Potatoes, from 2.20 to 3.80 Cwt.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania by Nancy K. Stoltzfus

We had average winter weather with rain or snow quite frequently. The night following the 25th was so warm that the snow melted enough to fall from the roof during the night, but the next day brought a sudden change. A 50-mile per hour wind made it seem bitterly cold at 30 degrees. The next day was still colder with the temperature about 18 degrees during the day, then dropping to 7 degrees by nightfall and still windy. The wind subsided after about 48 hours.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania by David Y. Renno

The New Year came in with 12 inches of loose snow but not drifted, some of this snow was with us all month. It snowed or sleeted several times a week through January but only a very little each time. Fields have a hard crust and excellent sliding for the children on these Juniata County hills. The coldest this month was 5 degrees above but had a cold month and only a few thawing days since the 10th. There is some whooping cough and pink eye around among the children.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania by Sam M. Troyer

We had about a foot of snow on the 1st and had snow and ice all month. On the 19th it was 0 degrees; 27th and 28th, cold with strong northwest wind. The cold spell lasted till the 31st. We had between 1½ to 2 ft. of snow and some rain. 0 degrees was the coldest.

Centre County, Pennsylvania by Henry F. Beiler

On New Years Day it snowed 7 to 8 inches, temperature was 27 degrees. The next day the temperature was down to 3 with snow flurries. The next week was from 19 to 33 degrees with snow flurries almost every day. It snowed about 18 inches altogether in January. Coldest was about 8 below. The 27th was very windy with some reports of damage. Last day of Jan. it was around zero all day. Work is mostly hauling manure and doing chores, thawing water pipes and doing some repair work.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania by Catherine M. Swarey

It started snowing in the evening of December 31 and snowed about 14 inches in 14 hours, nice fluffy snow but didn't blow. Ground had been white since. On January 4 we had about 1 ich of rain making roads rather icy. January 24 and 28 we had more snow making a lotal of 22 inches during January, coldest was 0, highest was 40 degrees. January 26 was a rather unusual day, lightening before daylight, also rained, in just a few minutes it was snowing big round flakes, almost the size of pennies. All day it was raining or snowing and at times very dark, then again very nice and sunny. Around 3 p.m. it started snowing and blowing very fast. All evening it was blowing very hard and snowed at times that it was impossible to see to the neighbors, and dangerous to be on the road. It lasted all night, the next day was much the same except it didn't snow, the highest temperature that day was 16 degrees. The strong wind kept up 3 6 hours. In those 2 days 6 market wagons were blown over while on the road, something not often heard of. Some weren't damaged much, others had windows, spokes and 1 door broken. Some barn roofs were blown off. At one of the Amish Schools the chimney was blown down and it was so cold and windy there was no school for two days.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania by Abe S. Kinsinger

January had a good bit of rain and snow. The rain helped to keep the snow from filling up. Ther was a cold wave from the north and a strong wind. Temperature dropped to below 0 the last week of January.

St. Mary's County, Maryland by Amos R. Stoltzfus

On New Years Day it snowed and blew, until around noon it turned nice, had around 6 in. of snow. It rained on the 4th and 5th leaving a lot of mud. Had a lot of nice weather in January. Coldest was 10 degrees on the 19th and 20th. The 28th was VERY windy, making it seem a lot colder. The 30th it was 50 degrees in the morning, seemed like spring, 31st it was snowing again.

Holmes County, Ohio by Mrs. Christian Petersheim

Plenty of cold but not much snow till latter part of month. On the evening of 29th the temperature went from 20 to 45 degrees at 11:00 then dropped to 22 in a short time. Very strong winds, roofs were blown off and road signs bent over. It was 10 below the 31st.

Adams County, Indiana by Mary Ann Hilty

Snowfall for the month totaled 5.9 inches. The high for the month was 53 on the 4th and the low was 8 below on the 19th. The most unusual aspect was the 44 degree drop in temperature from 9:00 p.m. on the 29th to a 1 below just 27 hours later. It is also interesting to note that the 43 degree reading came just 13 hours after a 5 degree reading.

Daviess County, Indiana by Lester Marner

A very mild winter so far. We had our first snow January 30. It was 0 on the 31st, the lowest of the season. Hogs are $18.00 and rising. Corn is 1.60 per bushel.

La Grange County, Indiana by Ervin D. Hochstetler

We had less than 12 inches of snow in January. About 6 days the temperature was below zero. The coldest was 10 below the 31st. The warmest was 40 the 18th. Only 3 days that it was warm enough to thaw a little.

Arthur, Illinois by Menno A. Diener

Weather for January has been very nice winter weather, several mornings 2 to 4 above 0 then during the day temperature was up in the 40s and some days 50. Not much rain or snow, the plowed ground became dry on top as it thawed and several days the wind blew some dust. At one place the dust in the road ditch was 2 inches thick. The night of the 27th we had ½ inch of snow, then a few morning of zero. Feb. 1 was 6 below with a 10 mile per hr. wind.

Johnson County, Iowa by Eli S. Bontrager

We are having steady winter weather. Had quite a snow storm on Jan. 3rd, with still plenty of snow. Our lowest temperature was 17 below zero on January 6th, but had several days that it thawed a little. However on this date, January 26 it is 3 below zero again.

Jamesport, Missouri by Amos W. Yoder

The weather was mostly pleasant through December, 1970. We had less than one inch rain and very little snow. Temperature ranged from 60 degrees the warmest to 6 the coldest. Some corn and beans were harvested yet in December on account of fields having been soft in the fall from much rain. Corn and beans were a fair crop, although some fields were affected from blight and dry weather last summer, and yielded less than average. The deer season in November yielded good. It was reported that 18 or 20 of our Amish folks got their deer.

On January 3rd we had 8 to 10 inches of snow, with some deep drifts around buildings. Then it rained on top which made a crust hard anough to almost walk on it, but it would break through every few steps, which made walking very tiresome. January 6 was our coldest morning with 10 below zero. The latter partof January was warm enough to melt some of the snow and the ground is now bare in spots. Ice skating on ponds and rabbit hunting have been favorite sports among boys. As many as 40 rabbits were taken by one family in one day. They ground the meat and made balogna out of it.

Aylmer, Ontario, Canada by LeRoy Eicher

The first part of January was sunshiny with a temperature of 25 to 50. The last week of January we had blizzards and below zero. Flu and Chicken Pox are making their rounds.

OBITUARIES, continued from page 5

Yoder, Mrs. Anna N., aged 43, of Dundee R2, Ohio

died Sunday afternoon, January 24 at Millersburg's Pomerene Memorial Hospital, following a brief illness. She was born in Holmes County to the late Neal J. Yoder and Mrs. Mattie J. Yoder, who survives. Other survivors include: her husband, Orin N.; 6 daughters, Mrs. Willis M. (Lizzie) Yoder of the home; Clara Raber of Millersburg Star Route; and Mattie, Anna, Katie and Esther, all of the home; a son, Danny of the home; 2 sisters, Mrs. Dan A. (Katie) Yoder and Clara N. Yoder, both of Dundee R2; 3 brothers, John N., Dundee R2, Aden N., of Greenwich R2, Jonas N, Millersburg R5; and 1 grandchild. Funeral services were held by Bish. Mahlon Hochstetler; Burial in the Miller Family Cemetery in Walnut Creek Township.

Yoder, James R., son of Roman L. and Katie J. (Miller) Yoder of Sugarcreek R1, Ohio

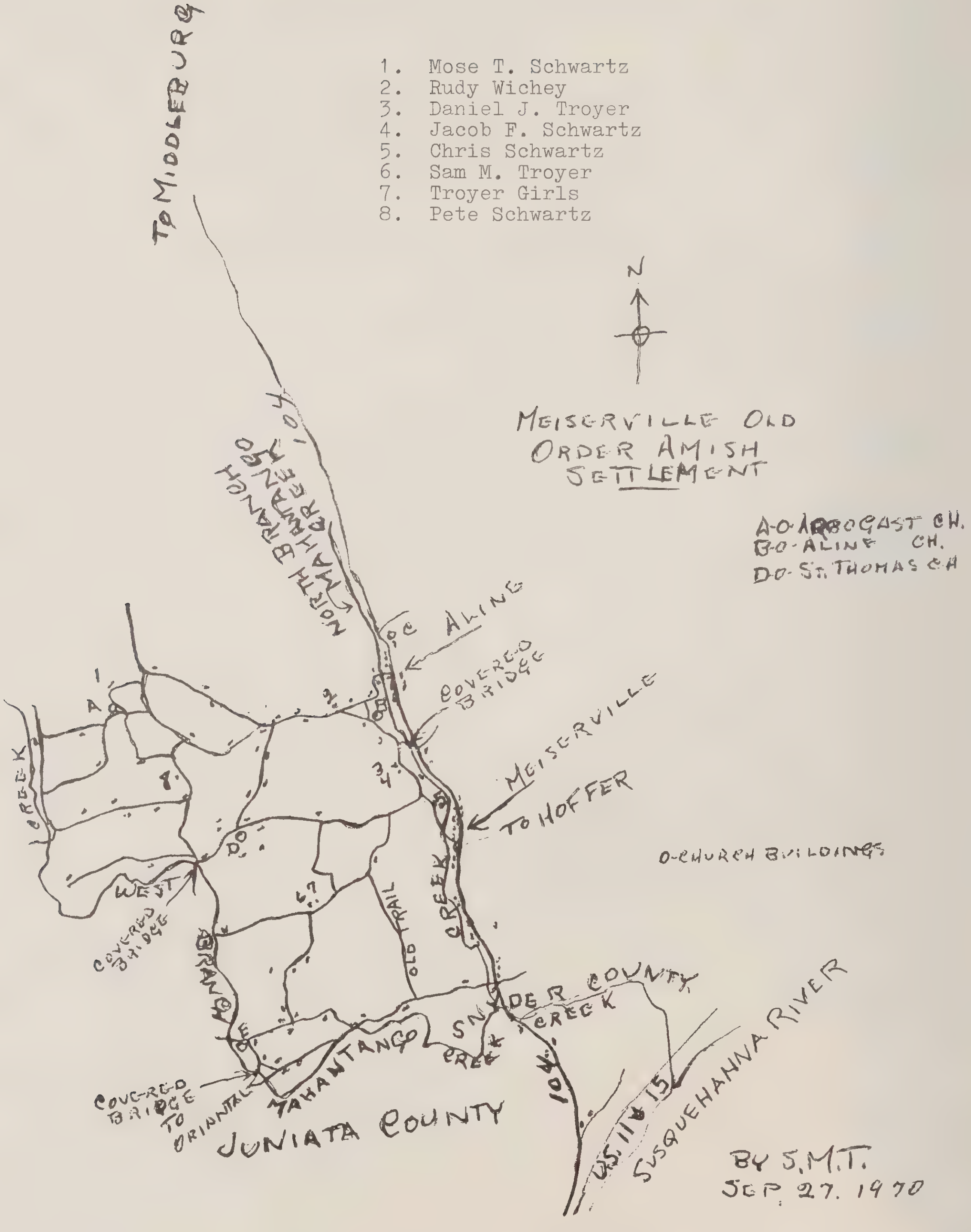
died shortly after birth Saturday night, January 11 in Millersburg Hospital. Other survivors are 5 brothers and 5 sisters and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Miller of R1, Fredericksburg and Mrs. Tena Yoder of R4, Millersburg. Graveside services were conducted in Yoder-Kaufman Cemetery by Bishop Enos Miller.

Yoder, Bishop William S., aged 85 yr., 9 mo. and 16 days, of Kalona, Iowa

died January 20 at Mercy Hospital in Iowa City following an operation. He was born on April 4, 1885, a son of the late Stephen and Lucy (Miller) Yoder. He always lived on the home place where he was born, 2 miles north of Kalona. Surviving are his widow the former Lydia Yoder and nephews and nieces. Will was the last to pass on in their family. They had no children. His wife remains very feeble. He was in the ministry a little over 50 years. Funeral services were held at the home by Dan Hershberger and Bishop Chris Otto of Ill in 1 house and by Bishop Edward Missley and Bishop Abe Gingerich, both of Arthur, Illinois, in the big house. Chester Yoders, a cousin have been living with the Yoders a number of years.

ORDINATION

Eli Detweiler, 31, son of Bishop Tobias Detweiler was ordained to the ministry on Nov. 15. He is married to Naomi, daughter of Chester Gingerichs. Address is Jamesport R2, Mo.



MEISERVILLE OLD ORDER AMISH SETTLEMENT

1. Mose T. Schwartz
2. Rudy Wichey
3. Daniel J. Troyer
4. Jacob F. Schwartz
5. Chris Schwartz
6. Sam M. Troyer
7. Troyer Girls
8. Pete Schwartz

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B-O-ALINE CH.
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BY S.M.T.
SEP. 27. 1970

THE SNYDER COUNTY PA. OLD ORDER AMISH SETTLEMENT

The Snyder County or Meiserville Old Order Amish settlement was first settled in the spring of 1955 by Moses J. Troyer and his children and others who moved from the Hohenwald, Tennessee settlement.

Moses J. Troyer born June 30 1891 and Lidia (Wichey) Troyer born January 17, 1892. He was born in Northern Indiana, raised near Hutchinson, Kansas and married in St. Joe County, Michigan. He died April 26, 1966. She was born in Adams County, Indiana and was raised partly in Alpena County, Michigan.

Sam M. Troyer, son of Moses J. was born May 28, 1915 in Oklahoma, married Elizabeth (Troyer) daughter of Cornelius who died in Old Mexico. She was born June 5, 1922 and died March 9, 1963.

Jeremiah M. Troyer, son of Moses J. now lives in British Honduras, was born March 23, 1917 in Michigan, married Katy (Schwartz).

Chris Schwartz, son of Peter A. and Mary, daughter of Moses J. Troyer.

Harry M., son of Moses J. Troyer and Sarah (Yoder) daughter of Eli. Harrys now live in Bowling Green, Missouri.

John M., son of Moses J. Troyer and Veronica (Graber) daughter of David. Johns now live in another part of Snyder County.

Daniel J. O. Schwartz, son of Joseph and Fanny, daughter of Moses J. Troyer. She died May 19, 1960. He now lives in Allen County, Indiana.

Daniel J. Troyer, son of Joas of LaGrange County, Indiana and Mattie (Beechy) daughter of Monelius of LaGrange County, now dead.

Later moved in:

Harvey Lehman and Barbara (Troyer) of LaGrange, Ind., moved to West Virginia.

Jacob F. Schwartz and Fanny (Nussbaum) moved to Allen Co., Ind., moved back in 1970.

Rudy Wickey and Susie (Troyer) last of British Honduras.

Married and started housekeeping here:

Pete T. Schwartz, son of Chris married Susan, daughter of Rudy Wichey.

Mose T. Schwartz, son of Chris married Mary, daughter of Daniel J. Troyer.

Harry D. Troyer, son of Daniel J. Troyer and Lydia, daughter of Chris Schwartz.

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An Account of the Hostetler Family, by Ezra Kanagy, Belleville, Pennsylvania

With the passing of Daniel Hostetler (see obituary, page 4), the Hostetler name has passed out of the "Alt Gemein" (Byler District). He was the oldest Amish man in the valley. At the turn of the century the Hostetler name was prominent in the "Alt Gemein," the neighborhood was known as the Hostetler Corner as there were seven or more families living in that area. The Hostetler Hollow up in the mountain got its name because of the Hostetlers living at the foot of it.

Dan was an interesting man to visit with, altho a man of few words, he had a way of saying a lot in a few words. His mind was clear to almost the end. The last night he lived he said, "Ask the Lord if He is done with me," and also asked his son Elmer who was at his bedside, "Are you ready to go with me in the morning?" He died that morning at 7:15.

Dan's father, Yost Hostetler was a son of Joseph Hostetler. On March 17, 1879 Joseph Hostetler dictated the following words to his son Yost who carefully wrote his father's words: "Our grandfather's name was Joseph Hostetler. The Indians took him and his father when my grandfather was 14 years old. The Indians killed all the rest of the family except the two they took with them. His father was with them two years and my grandfather six. It was about the year 1760 then they were taken."

I've also heard Dan relate how his gandfather, Joseph Hostetler has been married three times. He was still a young man when a widower the second time. When someone told him of a girl in Half Moon Valley, Center Co. who would make a good wife and helpmeet for him, so on this person's word, not knowing the girl, they were published for marriage. After they were published, Joseph walked the 25 or 30 miles across the mountains to Center County. When he came to Yost Yoder's house he found there were two single girls there. He, not knowing which was Barbara, one of the girls brought him a chair and bade him have a seat. Joseph surmised this must be the one that he was published with, which later proved correct. They were married and she returned with Joseph to his home in the valley and proved a faithful wife.

Family No. 7174 D.J.H. and footnotes

MARRIAGES

Holmes County, Ohio

January 11, Aaron, son of Bishop Andy J. Weavers, Fredericksbur R2 and
Anna, daughter of Eli Hochsterler, Fredericksburg R2

January 28, Christ, son of David A. Millers, Millersburg R5 and
Verba, daughter of Dan J. Yoder, Apple Creek R1

Adams County, Indiana

December 13, 1970 - John, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan M. Schwartz, Monroe R1 and
Anna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew A. Hilty, Monroe R1

January 24 - Jake, son of Mrs. Mel Eicher, Berne R1 and
Emma, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Gingerich, Geneva R2

Marriages continued on page 19

The Hour Glass

40 Years ago

JANUARY 1, 1931

My days pass, Oh, so swiftly by
 Could I but recall them now
Could I but improve them, tell me
 Could I do so if I'd try.

We are standing on the threshold,
 We are in the opened door.
We are treading on a border land
 We have never trod before.

Another year is opening,
 And another year is gone,
We have passed the darkness of the night,
 We are in the early morn.

We have left the fields behind us
 O'er which we scattered seed;
We pass into the future
 Which none of us can read.

The corn among the weeds,
 The stones the surface mould,
May yield a partial harvest;
 We hope for sixty fold.

Then hasten to fresh labor,
 To thrash, and reap, and sow,
Then bid the New Year welcome,
 And let the old year go--

Then gather all your vigor,
 Press forward in the fight,
And let this be your Motto,
 "For God, and for the right."

From the Writing Book of Lydia L. (Fisher) Petersheim

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

In past issues of THE DIARY we referred to the Michael Lapp Sr. family and to his oldest son, John Lapp Sr. Before we go any further we will at this point print a copy of the Will of Michael Lapp Sr. who died in 1824. The copy has just recently been obtained and is a translation from the German Script.

In the name of God, Amen.

I. Michael Lapp, living in Leacock township, Lancaster county, in the state of Pennsylvania, do herewith make my last will and testament, being old and weak, yet of tolerable good understanding and memory for which God be praised.

First, I recommend my immortal soul into the hands of Almighty God who hath given it to me, and who out of his grace and mercy will please to receive the same. Further I do order, that my body be consigned to the earth in a christian manner. Further it is my will, that all my lawful debts be paid by my executors hereafter to be named. Further it is my will, that my dear wife Maria shall, after my decease, have one hundred dollars in advance, and whatever the 25 acres of land which I have bought of Schmucker, may yield, yearly and every year as long as she lives, and if that should not be sufficient for her, then my executors shall give to her as much as she is in need of, and after the decease of us both, my executors shall sell the 25 acres of land by public vendue, or as they will find best, and shall divide it amongst my heirs. Further it is my will, that my executors shall sell every thing after both our decease. Further it is my will, that my son Jacob shall have all my clothes. Further I give to my executors power and authority to execute a deed or deeds for my land, as if I myself were present. Further it is my will, that my son Joseph shall yet have twenty-five pounds besides what he has received, which may be seen in my book, what every one has received. Further it is my will, that my son Jacob Barbara and Susanna shall have fifty pounds in advance, and shall again go in shares with the other heirs. Thus I name my children, first my son John Jacob Michael and my daughter Barbara and my son David Christian Abraham and my daughter Maria and Susanna, shall have their share first, as the bonds become payable, and lastly the other heirs shall also receive their share. Further it is my will, that my executors shall give fifty dollars to the poor in my community, where they shall deem it fit, and they shall divide the money, as it becomes payable, amongst my heirs, and my executors shall give to my daughter Maria a deed for the Lot which I have bought for her, near Joseph Beyler's, __________ having cost six hundred Dollars, and it shall be added to her share. Further it is my will, that my children shall pay no interest after my decease, and if any one of them should not be satisfied with my will, and expenses should arise, the expenses shall be taken from his share. I name my executors namely my son Jacob Lapp, my son-in-law Henry Beyler, and acknowledge this, and no other, as my last will and testament. Signed this seventeenth day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and twenty three.

In presence of

his
Christian O Zug
mark

John Zuck

his
Michael X Lapp (Seal)
mark

Lastly, I give unto my executors full power and authority, to maintain and administer my will and testament, and if something should have been missed or forgotten, that they may rectify the same according to their best judgment and sincerity.

Subscribed at the same
date as above

his
Christian O Zug
mark

John Zuck

his
Michael X Lapp (Seal)
mark

The Executors affirmed the
22d day of November 1824

Lancaster County sst

On the 22d day of November Anno Dommi 1824, personally appeared before me this subscriber John Zuck one of the subscribing witnesses to the within and foregoing Will and addition thereto, land on his solumn affirmation according to law, did declare and say that he was present and saw Michael Lapp the Testator therein named, make his mark thereto, and heard him publish, pronounce and declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament, and that at the time of the doing thereof, he was of sound and well disposing mind, memory and understanding according to the best of his knowledge, observation and belief. And this Affirmant did further declare and say that he saw Christian Zug the other subscribing witness (who is indisposed and cannot now be had) make his mark thereto as a witness, in the presence of this Affirmant. And further this Affirmant saith not.

Affirmed and subscribed
the day & year aforesaid

John Zuck

Coram

Philip Messenkopr Regt

Be it remembered, That on the 22d day of November Anno Dommi 1824. The last Will and Testament of Michael Lapp deceased, was proved in due form of law, and Letters Testamentary thereon were granted to Jacob Lapp and Henry Beyler the Executors therein named, they having been duly affirmed, well and truly to administer the estate of the said Deceased, and especially to exhibit a true and perfect Inventory thereof, into the Register's Office at Lancaster, within one month, and to render a just and true account of their Executorship on said estate in one year, or when thereto lawfully required. Given under the Seal of said Office,

Philip Messenkopr Regt

The second son of Michael Lapp Sr. is Jacob Lapp born in 1766 and was married to Margert Richenbach daughter of John Richenbach and was named one of the executors of his father's estate. At this time not much can be written of Jacob Lapp, except that he purchased land from John Richenbach in Caernarvon Township in Berks County, Pa. At the time his father's Estate was settled he was listed as living in Erie County, Pa.

The third child of Michael Lapp Sr. was Barbara Lapp born June 1768 and was married to David Kurtz, son of Abraham Kurtz and lived near Sorrel Horse, now called Fetterville a few miles east of Blue Ball. It is not known what year David Kurtz died, but in 1818 Michael Lapp Sr. granted to his daughter, widow Barbara Kurtz three acres of land from the Lapp tract in Leacock Twp. which was part of a larger tract of land of twenty five acres which Michael Lapp Sr. purchased from Daniel and David Smucker, which extended west of Gordonville along the north side of the Gordonville-Soudersburg road. This would be the land now owned by Andrew Kinsinger, and the eastern part of the section is owned by a firm who in the last few years erected a trailer court. However Barbara Kurtz, at the time of her father's death was listed as living in a province of Upper Canada.

[The readers of this article should keep in mind that the Pennsylvania Railroad had not been built at that time, and a road extended from the southwestern end of the Gordonville Cemetery, south and across where the present railroad now is, to the Gordonville road, where several houses had been erected, but have been dismantled years ago.] (to be continued)

ABSTRACTS FROM LANCASTER NEWSPAPERS, 1870-1871

The following topics were chosen from the Lancaster Newspapers, perhaps the much talked about events in the Amish community one hundred years ago. From the vaults of the Lancaster County Historical Society.

National Affairs

The January 27, 1870 issue presents a full double column on how president Grant "economizes" - The present administration costs forty two million more per annum than that of Andrew Johnson.

Much like today, the talk was about economy. The year 1870 was a time of "After a war"" (Civil) boom. Farm prices and real estate prices were high, some crops reached an all time high, but only to be followed by a panic (depression) a few years later.

To give the readers an impression of this topic a brief review must be given of national affairs a few years back. As most history readers know the effects of the Civil War have reunited the country but left it in a weak state as a whole. The south was left in sore dispair. This was realized by Abraham Lincoln long before the last battles were fought. Lincoln had affectionate attitudes towards his enemy even during the war. He had plans to restore the south in a generous way and to give the south full civil rights or to extend what he called "The ten percent plan."

However this could not go into effect until the war was over. Shortly after this (1865) Lincoln was assassinated and the vice-president Andrew Johnson automatically gained the supreme power over the nation. Johnson was a southerner by birth from Tennessee. Although he was a Unionist he too extended a warm hand to the south, and wanted to carry out the Lincoln policy in building up the south. But the White House Cabinet consisted of northerners. They overwhelmed the president's rules and powers in a radical way so that they were called The Radical Party. Contrary to Lincoln's plans they passed laws dealing sternly with the south that they were refused the right to vote until 1872-they could not hold offices and the "black code" was abolished. This left hard feelings in the south, some claimed as being worse than the war itself. In 1869 these Radicals introduced a bill that would have thrown President Johnson out of office. When the bill came to a vote it suffered only one vote to cast Johnson out, however Congress impeached him, the only president in American History to be impeached. In the 1868 presidential election Johnson had no chance, the office was transfered to Ulysess Grant. At this time there was much reconstruction going on and many major projects were already started when he came into office. The greatest of these was probably the Union Pacific Railroad, being the first transcontinental railway (1869). Grant was a free spender. He was a man to give handouts. Later investigations showed how disgusting frauds and corruptions had developed in building construction projects. The results were much money spent foolishly, creating a short-lived economy boom. We are not surprised to find this article on economy one hundred years ago. The article conforms to a speech of Henry Darves, a Radical Representative of Congress, delivered January 18, 1870. It gives us a portrait of economy one hundred years ago.

Ulysess Grant is labeled a weak president by some history writers. Following is an article from a Lancaster Newspaper of that time.

> The President Appointing His Own Father a Postmaster.
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> The reappointment of old Jesse R. Grant to be Postmaster of Covington for four years longer is one of those little things which is not easy to account for. Old Jesse does not need the office and the office does not need old Jesse. He is a weak, querulous old man, incapable because he is weak, and unpopular because he is querulous.
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> Aside from having no claim upon the Post Office Department and no capacity to be a Postmaster, he is the father of the President of the United States. There is an obvious impropriety, not undiluted with a certain absurdity, in his holding a little village place of this sort. If he is not above it, as very likely he is not, his offspring should be above it. Old Jesse is seventy years of age, and an awful old chatterbox and tattler. He has a competency. Never very wise, he has been growing in folly ever since his son began to grow in fortune. Why should he be Postmaster of Covington? He ought to be pickled and preserved and stowed away in one of the glass cases at the White House, the Patent Office, or the Smithsonian Institution.

State Affairs

January 20, 1870 - The recent inauguration of John W. Geary as governor of Pennsylvania was not favored by everyone according to this column in the daily paper. A brief sketch follows: A man has been unaugurated governor of the state of Pennsylvania whom a vast majority of her people cannot respect, and whom the best men of his own party despise. Another column goes like this: It is evident that Mr. Geary has a high opinion of himself, and we are pleased to know that one man in the state thinks him a good governor.

> The State Debt.
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> We are informed by Governor Geary in his message, that "on the 15th day of January, 1867 (when he was put into office,) the total indebtedness of the State was $37,704,409.77 'Since then the sum of $6,592,747.87 has been paid," leaving the amount of debt on the 30th of November last $31,111,661.90. A day or two after the message

appeared, the Philadelphia Ledger contained an article alleging that this statement of the amount of the debt in January 1867, was erroneous--that the amount at that time was $35,617,484 instead of $37,704,409 as stated by the Governor, and that consequently the reduction in the four years is only $4,505,822, instead of $6,592,747. The Ledger explains the discrepency by stating that the Legislature of 1867 authorized the issue of about $2,000,000 of new bonds for the purpose of taking up old bonds then falling due; that the Governor counts both the old and the new bonds, and thus magnifies the debt to that extent.

We supposed there was probably some mistake about this statement of the Ledger, and have waited to see if any contradiction or explanation of the discrepancy would be offered on behalf of the Governor. So far as we have seen, no attempt has been made to substantiate the correctness of the Governor's figures, and it may therefore be assumed that in this particular he made a mistake. Indeed, there seems to be still more conclusive evidence of the fact. On turning to Gov. Curtin's last annual message, in January, 1866, he gives a table, showing that the State indebtedness on on the 1st of December, 1866, was $35,022,052.16; and turning in like manner to Gov. Geary's first annual massage, in January, 1867, it is there again explicitly stated that the debt on the 1st of December, 1866, was $35,022,052.16, precisely as given by Gov. Curtin.

With a reduction in four years, however, of upwards of even four millions and a half in four years, the Governor is justifiable in congratulating the people on the financial prosperity of the State and on the large reduction of the debt, especially when it is remembered that important reductions of taxation for State purposes have been made during the time. There was no need, therefore, for the Governor to magnify the amount of indebtedness which has been liquidated, and the error doubtless arose merely through carelessness. As it has been sent forth in an official public document, however, the Governor, one might suppose, in self-vindication, would deem the error of sufficient consequence to demand rectfication at his hands.

The State Lands

Report of the Surveyor General--Pennsylvania Land Patents--Payment of Deferred Claims.

General Jacob M. Campbell has just made to Governor Geary the annual report of the Surveyor General's Office. We present such parts of it as are of general interest:

During six years, embracing the period since the passage of the act of 20th of May, 1864, the records show that four thousand six hundred and thirty (4,630) tracts of land have been patented, and that the sum of two hundred and twenty-nine thousand five hundred and forty dollars and six cents ($299,540.06) have been paid into the State Treasury through this Department as against twelve hundred and eighteen tracts patented and sixty-eight thousand seven hundred and sixty-three dollars and fifty-seven cents ($68,763.57) paid in during the six years preceeding 1864. This augurs well for the present system of collecting these accounts, for if the bare publication of the law has brought about so much activity on the subject of patenting lands, it is but reasonable to expect that the lien dockets, which bring the matter home to the people, as they do, by showing what tracts are unpatented will cause the great body of owners of unpatented lands to liquidate the amounts due the State.

County Commission

The big issue of the year was the case of Binkleys bridge where the New Holland Turnpike crosses the Conestoga Creek. The old bridge fell down in August 1867. The New Holland Turnpike Co. agreed to pay a third of reasonable expenses to erect a new bridge. A contract was awarded to Elias McMellen for a new bridge amounting to $16,500, by the Lancaster County Commission. The contract called for 139,252 ft. of white pine timber and 21,028 ft. white oak 36,000 shingles be used. The walls to be 30 ft. high to chords above low water mark, the bridge to be 18 ft. wide and no stone to be in walls less than 3 ft. long and 10 x 20 inches. The old bridge be carried out on the shore for the use of the county.

After the bridge was completed the Turnpike Company's share of payment was due and as was costumary the bridge was inspected and appraised at $11,000. At this the Turnpike Co. withheld full payment of their share on the grounds that the bridge was of inferior workmanship. Several more inspections were made according to law. One inspector related that the bridge was short of timber, too many small stones in the wall. Henry Forney affirmed that he saw the masons put the stones in edgewise. Another inspector said the walls are at places less than two feet wide, and that water runs in at both ends of the bridge and the old bridge is still lying in the stream. On top of that a farmer, John Shirk hauled a saw log over this bridge with four horses and confessed in court he wasn't going faster than a walk. He further said the jumping, jerking and cracking of the bridge excited his horses and found that his payload broke the floor beam. The confessed the log wagon and chain weighed six tons, nine hundred pounds. The front horses were off when the beam broke. The results brought a law suit against the contractor by the County Commission. The outcome can be read in Lancaster Newspaper columns of 1870.

The Weather

January 24, 1870 - There are reports that farmers are plowing in Lancaster, Berks and nearly all neighboring counties, an open winter.

Ein Glückliches Neue Jahr

Ein Jüngling ging durch das Land um sein Glück zu suchen für das Neue Jahr. Er suchte Geld und allerlei zeitliche Güter. Es ist ihm viel zugefallen und er freuet sich darüber. Aber er freuet sich nicht Jemand anzutreffen oder ein Mensch sein Weg leichter zu machen. Also ging er heim und meinte er wär sehr Glücklich.

Ein anderer Jüngling zog auch über Land zu suchen seinen Glück. Er findet ein Kind daß sich verloren hat, und helfet es wieder zu rechten Weg. Auch begegnet ihm ein betrübter Geselle welcher er viel tröstet. Ein lahmer alter Mann lehnte sich auf der Jüngling seinen Arm seine Reise zu vollenden. Also geht der Tag dahin auf daß er nicht Zeit hat etwas mehr zu sammeln denn was er bedürfet. Aber sein Herz war frölich und er war wahrhaftig Glücklich in dem Herrn.

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The Vocational Plan

A. To enroll pupils who have completed the eighth grade, who are between the ages of 14 and 16, and who attended Amish parochial schools.
B. To employ a teacher who has the same qualifications as an elementary teacher.
C. To make monthly reports concerning attendance and attitude of parents and pupils, which shall be open for inspection by public officials.
D. To compel the student to attend school one day a week and on the remaining four days to work four hours each day on a specific project and one hour each day on school lessons, these including History, General Business, Mathamatics, English and Spelling. German and Bible Study are optional and are taught.

Projects - To maintain a complete record of projects which may include livestock, poultry, fruits, vegetables, grains, tools, building and construction, finances and management, carpentry, landscaping, gardening, homemaking, cooking, preserving, childcare, etc.

Plain View, 1948

This school was the first Amish parochial school opened in Indiana. It was organized by a small group of people including the ministers of Middle and West Barrens church districts. The first meeting was held at Henry N. Millers on July 29, 1948 and Abe Lehman, Eli Gingerich and the two deacons, Elmer Miller and Joe Whetstone were chosen for the school board. At a second meeting, at Abe Lehmans on August 17 Jonas J. Gingerich, Eli N. Troyer, Eli A. Miller and Andrew Farmwald of the Amish parochial school at Plain City, Ohio were present and gave experiences and helpful suggestions. Pledges were taken to determine how much money could be raised to start with. Twenty individuals pledged a total of $2230. Not all these were parents with pupils but other persons interested in the school.

About this time the one-room rural school 1½ miles east of Middlebury known as "Sanitary" was put up for public auction on September 1. The group got together and offered the highest bid of $3225. for school house, contents and ½ acre of ground. The school is of wood frame construction with basement. It had been closed the year before. Some repairs and remodeling were required to bring it up to regulations. Jacob S. Schrock, Will A. Bontrager, and William H. Miller served on the building committee.

Sydney Zook, an elderly Mennonite man and former teacher at this school was hired to teach. On Monday, October 11, 1948 classes opened for 29 pupils. They had attended public school the first six weeks. Sydney Zook taught one year, then Eli Gingerich and Monroe Miller each taught two years after which Mrs. Melvin (Wilma Stutsman of Goshen, a Brethren minister's wife taught for 6 years. Enrollment increased until she had 60 pupils in 1958-59 term. She is remembered as an exceptional teacher.

Others serving on the school board in later years were William H. Miller, Leo F. Yoder, Joni C. Hochstetler, Sam Wingard, Simon F. Graber, Elmer Lehman, Ralph Bontrager and William J. Schrock.

The building was extensively remodeled in 1967 and sometime earlier another one-half acre had been added to the plot on the west, from Jonas N. Miller for a larger playground. The Middlebury public school bus has transported the township children to the school over the years at little or no extra cost.

Teachers

1948-49, Sydney Zook, Goshen, Ind., grades 1-8, 29 pupils; 1949-50, Eli E. Gingerich, Middlebury, 1-8, 29 pupils; 1950-51, Eli E. Gingerich, 32 pupils;1951-53, Monroe J. Miller, Middlebury, 1-8; 1953-59, Mrs. Wilma Stutsman, Goshen R1, 1-8; Mrs. Stutsman taught 6 years, last year had 60 pupils. 1959-61, Lizzie Chupp, Middlebury, 1-4; 1959-61, David Kauffman, Middlebury, 5-8; 1961-62, Jonathan Yoder, Middlebury, 1-8; 1962-64, Amanda Coblentz, Hartville, Ohio, 1-4; 1962-64, Martha Helmuth, Nappanee, Ind., 5-8; 1964-66, Martha Farmwald, Nappanee, Ind., 1-4; 1964-66, Martha Helmuth, Nappanee, Ind., 5-8; 1966-68, Martha Farmwald, Nappanee, Ind., 1-4; 1966-68, Wilma Miller, Kokomo, Ind., 5-8, 50 pupils; 1968-70, Barbara Miller, Middlebury, 1-4; 1968-70, Elmer Lehman, Middlebury, 5-9, 47 pupils.

Vocational school teachers have been: John M. Bontrager, Roy W. Miller, Jonathan Yoder, Jonas N. Miller, and Elmer Lehman.

Note: In 1948 when Plain View was started Melvin H. Miller was a seventh grader at this school. Today he is bishop in the church district in which the school is located. Elmer Lehman, an eighth grader then has served as school board member and teacher here. Other pupils who later taught school are Miriam Gingerich, Barbara Miller, John Gingerich, Carolyn Yoder, and Lena Miller.

Pleasant Ridge, 1957

Pleasant Ridge was built in 1957 to accomodate the overflowing attendance at Plain View. It is located three and one half miles west and 1½ miles north of Shipshewana on 1150W near Cass Lake. The school house is a ground level wooden structure 26 x 36 with an 8 x 8 book room on the south side. The entrance is on the west end in which the pump is located. There is also a small room for coal. It has gray insulated shingle siding. The barn is 18 x 24 and sets back from the playground and has room for 6 horses. The ground covers about an acre and was bought from Jerry Yoder.

The first school board members were Sam J. Schrock, John M. Bontrager and Eli Gingerich. Others serving later were Freeman M. Yoder, Dan Coblentz, Leonard Miller and Lester D. Miller.

School opened with 26 pupils and Mary Louise Miller, Centreville, Michigan, now Curryville, Mo. as the teacher. Six weeks later Amelia Jones took her place and also taught the next term.

Teachers: 1957-59, Amelia Jones, Shipshewana, Ind., 1-8, 29 pupils; 1959-61, Fanny Mae Nissley, now Kokomo, Ind., 1-8; 1961-62, Roy W. Miller, Middlebury, 1-8; 1962-63, Anna Mae Gingerich, Arthur, Ill., 1-4; 1962-63, Susie Hostetler, Plain City, Ohio, 5-8; 1963-66, Anna Mae Gingerich, Arthur, Ill., 1-4; 1963-66, Fannie Mast, Hutchinson, Kansas, 5-8; 1966-67, Vernon Yoder, Kalona, Iowa, 1-4; 1966-67, David Luthy, now Aylmer, Ontario, 5-8; 1967-68, Vernon Yoder, Kalona, Iowa, 1-4; 1967-68, Aaron Hochstetler, Burr Oak, Michigan (part), 5-8, Mrs. Vernon Yoder (Inez) finished term; 1968-69, Alice Yoder, Middlebury, 164; 1968-69, Vernon Yoder, Kalona, Iowa, 5-8; 1969-70, Vernon Bontrager, Middlebury, 1-4, 17 pupils; 1969-70, David F. Yoder, Shipshewana, 5-8, 24 pupils. Vocational teacher, Levi Graber.

Cottonwood Grove, 1962

Cottonwood Grove is located one mile east and 3½ miles north of Topeka on 500W at 350S. It was built as the result of the closing of two public one-room schools, Walnut Corner and Wortinger, the year before. Parents who had been sending their children to these schools were then compelled to transfer to Topeka School.

An acre of land, lined on one side by Cottonwood trees, was bought from Yost S. Lehman. It is a ground level one-room white cement clock building with entrance to the south. A small barn is on the ground.

John M. Beechy, Yost S. Lehman and Dan A. Hochstetler were appointed by the ministers of the church as the first school board. Levi N. Eash, Tobe L. Yoder and Ora L. Miller have served since. Teachers:

1962-63, Anna Lehman, Topeka, 1-4, Ola Bontrager, Topeka, 5-8, 29 pupils; 1963-65, Anna Lehman, Topeka, 1-4, Anna Borkholder, Topeka, 5-8; 1965-66, Emma Yoder, Kalona, Iowa, 1-8, 29 pupils; 1966-67, Emma Yoder, Kalona, Iowa, 1-8, 40 pupils; 1967-68, Anna Lehman, Topeka, 1-8, 31 pupils; 1968-69, Anna Lehman, Topeka, 1-8; 1969-70, Mary H. Lambright, LaGrange, 1-2, 5-6, 18 pupils, Anna Lehman, Topeka, 3-4, 7-8, 22 pupils. Vocational teachers, Anna Borkholder and Levi N. Eash.

Maple Grove, 1963

On Cable Line Road 250 West and 100 South a school house was built in a small grove of maple trees on a lot a little over an acre in area. In the Eli Lehman church district, the property was formerly owned by Leo M. Yoder.

The school house is a ground level building made of yellow glazed tile blocks and has 11 windows. A small entrance to the south leads into the classroom.

Amos Bontrager, Enos Miller and Ben Kurtz were elected to the school board. Leo M. Yoder and Harley E. Bontrager have served since.

Teachers: 1963-64, Alma Schmucker, LaGrange R4, 1-8, 22 pupils; 1964-65, Katie Bontrager, Centreville, Michigan, 1-8; 1965-66, Alma Schmucker taught alone till March 1966 when she got married, Miriam Gingerich, Middlebury R2 and Katie Bontrager, above, finished the term; 1966-68, Idasue Bontrager, Centreville, Michigan, 1-4, Miriam Gingerich, till December 1968, 5-8, 46 pupils. Miriam got married and Mary Beechy, vocational teacher, took her place until Carolyn F. Yoder of Shipshewana was hired to finish the term. 1968-69, Mattie H. Hochstetler, LaGrange, 1-4, Carolyn F. Yoder, Shipshewana, 5-8; 1969-70, Mattie H. Hochstetler, LaGrange, 1-4, 20 pupils, Lena W. Miller, Middlebury, 5-8, 30 pupils. Vocational teacher, Mary Beechy.

County Line, 1964

County Line School takes its name from its location on the road which separates LaGrange and Noble Counties, one mile south and 3½ miles east of Topeka. It is also between the Joni B. Miller and Daniel J. Bontrager church districts.

The tile block building, woodshed and barn are on an acre lot donated to the school by Henry J. Eash. Construction began August 7, 1964 with all labor donated,

Elected to the school board were Henry J. Eash, Perry W. Yoder and Jacob E. Mullet. Later John Eash and Urias U. Miller also served.

Teachers: 1964-66, Tillie Eash, Rome City R1, Ind., 1-4,9, 40 pupils, Mary Miller, Topeka R2, Ind., 5-8,9, 43 pupils; 1966-67 Susie Hostetler, Plain City R3, Ohio, 1-8, taught part of year, Mr. and Mrs. David Petersheim, Wolcottville, 1-9, finished term, 42 pupils; 1967-68, Wilma Raber, Topeka R1, 1-4, Mrs. Perry (Ada) Miller, Topeka R2, 5-8, 50 pupils; 1968-69, Miriam R. Miller, Fortuna, Mo., 1-4, Mrs. David (Susie) Petersheim, 5-8; 1969-70, Lydia Schwartz, Spencerville, Ind., 1-8, 27 pupils.

Vocational teachers, David Petersheim and Urias U. Miller

Little Acorn, 1964

"Great oaks from little acorns grow." Little Acorn School has been built on a corner lot close by an oak tree. The land was donated by Ervin N. Miller and is located 5 miles west and one mile north of LaGrange. The building is of yellow tile block. A combination woodshed and barn was also constructed.

The ministers of the Will Yoder church appointed the first board members, Ervin W. Yoder, Ervin N. Miller and Daniel H. Graber. Harvey L. Miller and Ora H. Bontrager served since.

Teachers: 1964-67, Katie Schrock, LaGrange R4, 1-8, 26 pupils; 1967-68, Polly Miller, Oklahoma, 1-4, LeAnna Lambright, Topeka R1, 5-8; 1968-69, Ada N. Miller, LaGrange, 1-4, LeAnna Lambright, Topeka, 5-9; 1969-70, Ola Bontrager, 1-8, 50 pupils.

Vocational teacher, LeAnna Lambright.

Woodside, 1964

Woodside school is situated on a plot of ground donated to the Howe church district by Manas Lehman Jr. It is a short distance north of corner 240 west and 200 north of LaGrange in Clay Township.

Construction started in July, 1964. It is set back from the road on top a gentle slope. In the background is a woods from whence it got its name. The ground level tile block building, like all the new schools, has windows on both sides, twelve in all including the one in the entrance which is at the south end.

William Schmucker Sr., Levi Lambright and Harley Hochstetler were appointed for the school board by the ministers of the church. Later Alvin Schrock and Willis Hochstetler were elected to serve.

Teachers: 1965-66, William Schmucker Jr., LaGrange, 1-8, 35 pupils; 1966-67, Mary Hochstetler, LaGrange, 1-4, Carrie Kuhns, Bremen, Ind., 5-9; 1967-68, 2nd Sem., Anna Mast, Jamesport, Mo., 1-3, Carrie Kuhns, Bremen, Ind., 1-9; 1968-69, Anna Mast, 1-4, Carrie Kuhns, 5-8; 1969-70, Anna Mast, 1-4, Magdalena Eicher, 5-8, 31 pupils. Vocational teachers: Carrie Kuhns, Anna Mast and Amzie Troyer.

Spring Hill, 1965

Located one mile north and three miles east of Topeka, Spring Hill was built on a lot donated by Melvin J. Miller. An old abandoned brick school standing nearby was fixed for a barn and woodshed. The ground level tile block building is built after the pattern of County, Maple Grove, etc. Later another classroom was added on the west end.

Melvin J. Miller, Ervin S. Schlabach and Ervin M. Miller were the first school board. Ray J. Miller also served later.

Teachers: 1965-66, Fannie M. Miller, Topeka, 1-2, Mary Arlene Byler, LaGrange, R1, 3-8, 46 pupils; 1966-67, Fannie M. Miller, 1-3, Mary Arlene Byler, 4-8; 1967-68, Fannie M. Miller, 1-3, Elton S. Miller, Topeka, 4-8; 1968-69, Fannie M. Miller, 1-4, Elton S. Miller, 5-8, 43 pupils; 1969-70, Fannie Miller, 1-4, Mrs. Ervin Jay (Amanda) Miller, 4-9, 50 pupils. Vocational teachers: Arlene Byler, Dan A. Miller, Elton S. Miller and Mrs. Ervin J. Miller.

Blue Ridge, 1966

In the spring of 1966 construction began on an acre lot two miles north and ½ miles west of Shipshewana. The lot was bought from Amos Hochstetler and deeded to the North East Barrens Church. Built on a slight ridge the building is white frame with a full basement. The entrance with two cloakrooms is to the south. The barn serves as shelter for horses, woodshed, and houses the boys' restroom. Two blueberry patches nearby inspired the name, Blue Ridge.

The board members were Joe B, Miller Jr., Amos J. Lehman and Lloyd J. Miller.

Teachers: 1966-67, Wilma Kuhns, Bremen, Ind., 1-4, Mrs. Mervin Eash, Shipshewana, 5-8, 39 pupils; 1967-69, Wilma Kuhns, 1-8, 25 pupils; 1969-70, Wilma Kuhns, 1-8, 19 pupils. Vocational teacher, Levi Graber.

Eight Square, 1967

Although this school has been owned by the church for some time and used for Sunday School and German School it was not opened for everyday classes and parochial school until 1967. It is located on the northwest intersection of county roads 35 and 28, five miles southwest of Middlebury.

The original building was a red brick structure with eight corners, hence the name. It burned down and was replaced by the present rectangular cement block building in 1961. It sits back from the road somewhat, with a small woods for a background and the playground on a gentle slope in front.

The school board consists of Perry Otto, Rudy Schmucker, David Kauffman and David J. R. Miller.

Teachers: 1967-69, Lydia Schwartz, Spencerville, Ind., 1-8, 30 pupils; 1969-70, Mrs. Jonathan Yoder, 1-8, 39 pupils. Vocational teacher, Jonathan Yoder.

Southwest Parochial, 1967

This school is in Southwest Honeyville, Amos U. Miller, church district, 500S, 2½ miles west of Road 5 near the Levi D. Bontrager home. The one and one-half acre school ground was bought from Amos J. Mast. Sitting on a rise, Southwest is a wooden structure with a 28 x 36 classroom and full basement. It was built in August 1967.

Ervin R. Bontrager, Henry Yoder Jr. and Monroe A. Yoder were elected as first school board members with Dan B. Bontrager and Alvin Beachy serving later.

Teachers: 1967-68, Martha R. Bontrager, Middlebury R1, 1-4, resigned due to illness, Henry Yoder Jr. took her place, Edith L. Eash, Topeka R1, 5-8, 31 pupils; 1968-69 & 1969-70, Ruby Yoder, sister to Henry Yoder, Millersburg, 1-8, 23 pupils.

West Yoder, 1967

After closing of the old Yoder one-room school, one and one-half acre of land was donated by William Bontrager on which to build a parochial schoolhouse. The new school is located a short distance west of the former Yoder school on Cable Line Road just west of State Road 5. It is a 28 x 44 wood construction with full basement.

Joe W. Yoder, Henry F. Graber and Noah J. Miller were elected to the school board.

Teachers: 1967-68, Edna Miller, LaGrange, 1-4, Nina Yoder, Kalona, Iowa, 5-8, 44 pupils; 1968-69, Martha Mast, Kalona, Iowa, 1-4, Polly W. Yoder, Middlebury, 5-8, 36 pupils; 1969-70, Polly W. Yoder, 1-4, Elizabeth Mast, Middlebury, 5-9, 38 pupils.

Vocational teacher, Elizabeth Mast

East Yoder, 1967

East Yoder, like West Yoder, takes its name from several pioneer Yoder brothers from Somerset County, Pennsylvania who settled south of Shipshewana. This region became known as Yoder Corner. Today there are two church districts in this area, the West Yoder and East Yoder. State Route 5, south of Shipshewana divides the districts. Each has a school.

East Yoder is a single story masonry building located three and one-half miles south and one mile east of Shipshewana. The dimensions are 28 x 43 and it stands on a one acre lot, donated by Andrew L. Mast. It was built in August, 1967 with all labor donated by the church.

School board members are Daniel Otto, Harley Lambright and Joni L. Weaver.

Teachers: 1967-68 & 1968-69, Wilma E. Yoder of Shipshewana, 1-8, 25 students; 1969-70, Katie B. Hershberger, Topeka, 1-4, Mattie L. Schrock, Shipshewana, 5-9, 40 students.

Vocational teachers, Wilma E. Yoder and Mattie L. Schrock.

North Side, 1967

Along Highway 120, at the northern edge of the Amish settlement in LaGrange County, stands another one of the new schoolhouses built in 1967. North Side is in N.E. Barrens, Clemence Miller church district, 1¾ miles west of Road 5 on two acres of land formerly owned by Jacob W. Miller. The building is a 28 x 36 white wooden construction with a full basement and ground level entrance.

LeRoy Hochstetler, Jacob W. Miller and Noah A. Miller were on the school board. Deacon Harvey Farmwald has been appointed since.

Teachers: 1967-68 & 1968-69, Emma Yoder, Kalona, Iowa, 1-8, 28 pupils; 1969-70, Menno Petersheim, Shipshewana, 1-8, 27 pupils.

Sunny Side, 1967

On a sunny 1¼ acre lot, oblivious of trees, stands the wooden construction of Sunny Side. It has a full cement block basement, part of which is used for vocational classes on Fridays. It is built into a hill with the entrance to the south. The cloak rooms are built on either side of the entrance. Cement steps lead up to the classroom and on both sides are stairs to the basement. Above the intrance is a spacious attic used for storing desks and other school supplies. It is located 2 miles north and one mile east of Topeka.

In November, 1967, 52 teachers took the G E D High School Equivalency Tests at Sunny Side.

On the school board have been and are Ernest N. Miller, Levi E. Yoder, Eli M. Miller and Ira Mullet.

Teachers: 1967-68 & 1968-69, Katie Schrock, LaGrange R4, 1-8, 21 pupils; 1969-70, Katie Schrock, 1-2, 7-8, Idasue Bontrager, Centreville, Michigan, 3-6, 46 pupils.

Vocational teacher, Anna Marie Miller.

Hawpatch, 1967

Hawpatch Road is a winding blacktop which leads in a southwestern direction through eastern Clearspring Township. On this road about 4 miles southwest of LaGrange a new schoolhouse was built in July, 1967. It stands on a three corner lot which was donated by Joseph Yoder for as long as it is used for school and church purposes. It is located in the Amos Yoder church district.

The 28 x 48 wooden construction has a full basement built into a hill and open to the south with an exit door at ground level. Steps lead into the basement at either side of the front entrance.

On the school board are Joe R. Bontrager, Lester Hochstetler and Samuel Jay Miller.

Teachers: 1967-68, Edna N. Miller, LaGrange, 1-4, Ada N. Miller, LaGrange, 5-8, 45 pupils; 1968-69, John Gingerich till January 1968, 1-8, John Hershberger, 1-8; 1969-70, Mrs. Joe R. Bontrager, 1-4, Mrs. William J. Yoder, 5-8, 31 pupils.

Meadow Lane, 1967

Beyond the orchard on the Mahlon J. Lehman farm stands the new schoolhouse, Meadow Lane, built in August, 1967. It is located 3 miles west and 2½ miles south of LaGrange, a distance of about a half mile from the old Taylor schoolhouse which was closed in 1967.

It is a wooden frame construction with a full basement. At the south end is a good sized entrance with steps leading down to the basement and also up to the classroom. Behind the pupils desks is ample space for a table where classes are conducted. In the basement are the pump, Riteway heating stove, and fuel, also a ping-pong table and carrom board. On one corner of the playground is a small barn for horses.

The three member board consists of Ervin E. Miller, Melvin J. Schlabach and Daniel D. Beechy. The school is in the Bishop Dan B. Bontrager District.

Teachers: 1967-68, Mary Arlene Byler, LaGrange, 1-8, 28 pupils; 1968-69, Mary Beechy, LaGrange, 1-8; 1969-70, Katie Bontrager, Centreville, Michigan, 1-8, Mary Beechy, 1-8, 29 pupils.

Vocational teachers, Dan B. Bontrager and Levi N. Eash.

Honey Brook, 1968

Located two miles west, one-half mile north and one fourth mile west of Topeka, Honey Brook school sits back a way on the south side of the road on the Orva O. Hochstetler farm. It is a wooden frame construction with basement. It is in Bishop Menno Yoder church district.

Calvin Lambright, John Helmuth and Freeman S. Miller are on the school board.

Teachers: 1968-69, Mary Petersheim, Wolcottville, 1-4, Pollyanna Troyer, Topeka, 5-8, 32 pupils; 1969-70, Mary Petersheim, 1-4, Mrs. Freeman S. Miller, 4-8, 41 pupils.

Vocational teachers, Pollyanna Troyer and Neal Troyer.

Brookside, 1968

This new school is located about ¾ mile south of the old Pashan school on 1100 West. It is on the Rudy Hershberger farm, across from Fred Yoders. A small run flows at the rear of the playground. It too, is of wooden construction. The basement is on a grade with full windows open to the south. There is a small barn for horses. It is in the East Forks, Ervin Bontrager church district.

Henry Yoder, Daniel W. Bontrager and Reuben Bontrager are on the school board.

Teachers: 1968-69, first six weeks, Martha Bontrager, Middlebury, finished term, Linda Hershberger, Kalona, Iowa, 1-7, 22 pupils; 1969-70, Clara W. Bontrager, Centreville, Michigan, 1-8, 21 pupils.

Fish Lake, 1968

This school, in the Milo J.K. Miller church district is located just north of Fish Lake Road on Elkhart County Road 43, one-half mile west of LaGrange-Elkhart County line in Elkhart County. It is a wooden frame construction with full basement and spacious windows.

Board members are William Chupp, Lloyd Hershberger, Eli Yutzy, David J.B. Miller and Floyd J. Miller.

Teachers: 1968-69, Edna R. Miller, Goshen, 1-4, Alma Hershberger, Goshen, 5-8, 47 pupils; 1969-70, Edna R. Miller, 1-4, Alma Hershberger, 5-8, 53 pupils.

Vocational teacher, Jonathan Yoder

Elm View, 1968

Elm View, in the David Nissley church district, is located one and one-fourth miles east of Topeka. It is set back from the road on the east side of the Amos Schlabach home, on a corner of the Harvey Fry farm. Like most of the newer school buildings, it is a wooden construction with a full basement underneath.

Andrew L. Bontrager, Omer T. Lambright and John W. Fry serve on the school board.

Teachers: 1968-69, Wesley Hochstetler, 1-8, 30 pupils; 1969-70, Pollyanna Troyer, 1-8, 28 pupils. Vocational teacher, Mrs. Mary Schlabach.

Sunny Ridge, 1968

Located on 200S one and one-half miles west of State Road 5, Sunny Ridge School was built on the Jonas Beachy farm, in Crist Troyer church district, in Honeyville. It sits back a distance from the north side of the road. Because of the frequency of vandals breaking windows, etc. is probably the main reason schoolhouses are set back from the road. This schoolhouse is also a wooden construction with a basement.

Levi N. Bontrager, Ervin Hochstetler, Ray Miller and Freeman Lehman are on the school board.

Teachers: 1968-69, Wilma E. Miller, Topeka, 1-8, 17 pupils; 1969-70, Wilma Miller, 1-8, 22 pupils.

Middle Barrens, 1969

This school is located on a corner of the former Elmer F. Miller farm, 3 miles east of Middlebury, in the south Henry Miller district. It is a wooden construction, also and has a full basement. It was built to take care of the overflow of Plain View and Pleasant Ridge Schools nearby.

Ralph Bontrager, David S. Yoder and John W. Bontrager are on the school board.

Teacher: 1969-70, Emma Yoder, Kalona, Iowa, 1-8, 19 pupils. by Eli S. Gingerich

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Daviess County, Indiana
January 28 - Ben, son of Francis and Fannie Wagler and
Katie, daughter of Alvin and Mary Knepp by Bishop Joe L. Graber
LaGrange County, Indiana
January 28 - Amos J. Miller (Widower) Shipshewana R1 and
Ada R. Bontrager, Shipshewana R1 by the bride's brother, Ervin R. Bontrager

Johnson County, Iowa

Announcement was made on January 24 of the forthcoming marriage of Albert N. Yoder of Mayes County, Oklahoma (now serving his I-W in Iowa City, Iowa) and Mary Ellen, daughter of Henry and Irene (Nissley) Bender. Albert is the son of Pre. Noah N. Yoder and wife of Okla.

Migrations: Homer Grabers moved from Aylmer, Ont. to Marshfield, Missouri, January 26
Mose J. Schlabachs, Apple Creek, Ohio moved to Conneautville, Pennsylvania, January 28

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS OF ELKHART AND LAGRANGE COUNTIES

Our Parochials Schools

Foreword

Our parochial schools have become an active and growing part of our community. It is something that has called for much time, effort and sacrifice, the value of which cannot be measured in money terms. For some it was an achievement that was long hoped for and felt much meeded. For others it may have been a choice that had to be made as circumstances came up, such as closing of the one room public schools and sending to the bigger consolidated schools. It is an example of what can be accomplished where there is a good community spirit, and a group of people work together for a common good and purpose.

There has been a growing concern about the influence the public schools of today have on our children and the Church of tomorrow. The teaching of evolution in science and history. The importance placed on sports and other extra-curricular activities, modernism in general, and more recently the teaching of sex in school, we feel is definitely leading away from the teachings of the Church and the Bible.

We have been granted the priviledge of having and teaching our own schools. We feel we should accept this opportunity to the best of our ability. Our aim is that the Church, the home, and the school should teach the same thing.

The states of Delaware, Pennsylvania and Ohio had Amish parochial schools before Ind. Starting from a small beginning the first school in Indiana was organized in 1948. By 1969 there were 23 such one-room Amish schools in Elkhart and LaGrange Counties. Other Amish schools came into being as early as 1951 at Nappanee, and soon after in Allen, Adams and Daviess Counties and later at Kokomo, Indiana. In time these schools were organized together and a man appointed from each community to serve on a committee between the Amish parochial schools and the State Department of Public Instruction as problems arise and need to be met.

This committee consists of David Schwartz, New Haven, as Chairman, Joni Gingerich, Nappanee, Treasurer, Jerome Raber, Montgomery, Secretary, John M. Bontrager, Shipshewana, Jacob Girod, Berne, and Allen Bontrager, Kokomo.

A plan has been drawn up and organized to give financial aid in building of more new schools. Money is paid out of a fund which is voluntarily raised by the various churches in Indiana interested in the school movement.

In 1967 Westview High School in Emma was completed, and with its completion all the high schools and local one-room schools in Westview Corporation were closed. Now all the pupils in the corporation from the seventh grade on up must attend Westview High School or an Amish parochial school. Pupils in the lower grades could attend Shipshewana, Topeka, or Clay Township. As a result eight new Amish schools were built that summer. More have been built since.

At the same time a very important step forward in the school system was attained on August 22, 1967 when the Amish School Committee and the State Department of Public Instruction drew up several articles of agreement concerning the Amish parochial schools of Indiana. A brief summary of these agreements follows:

A. Organization - Each school to choose a board of three members to manage local school affairs and one man to work with the state Amish committee of six men mentioned above.

B. Construction - To use school house construction plans approved by the state Department of Public Instruction, the Administration Building Council, the State Fire Marshalls' Office, and the State Board of Health.

C. Attendance - To have 167 days of actual school days somewhere between August 15 and May 15. To have a 97% average daily attendance and to take care of any absentee problems. To be closed not more than 5 days for bad weather or to make up days. To include no less than 5 hours actual classroom time during each school day.

D. Enrollment - To submit to the Amish State Committee an official enrollment before the end of the second week of school.

E. Records - To use uniform report cards and to keep a cummulative record of each pupil.

F. Teachers - To employ a teacher of good Christian character, with a capability of coping with children, and with a cooporative attitude toward school authorities, and who will have made a passing score on a G E D High School Equivalency Test or a Standardized 12th grade Achievement Test.

G. Subjects - To teach two semesters of reading, writing, arithmetic and spelling in the English language, and also one semester of geography and history. German and Bible Study may be taught.

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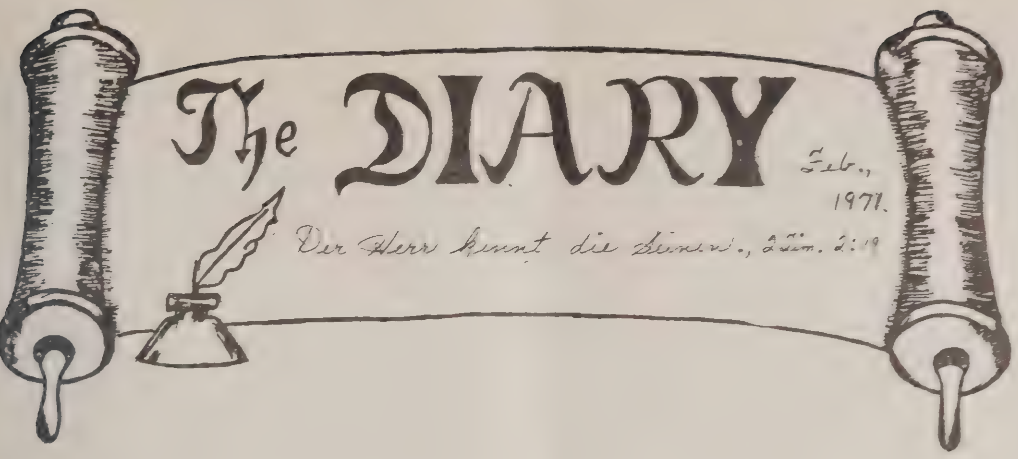

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SUGARCREEK, OHIO MAN KILLED IN FARM ACCIDENT

Ivan N. Mast, 22, Sugarcreek, Ohio was killed Thursday, February 18, at approximately 10 a.m. as the result of a farm accident. He was working at the farm of Robert A. Schlabach of Sugarcreek R1, when his boot strap became caught in an auger in a grain dr~~ying~~ and storage bin. He was pulled into the auger and suffered a crushed chest and neck. Death was due to strangulation. Mast was last seen alive at 9:30 a.m. He was found at 12:05 p.m. in the bin. He was born in Tuscarawas County to Noah M. and Erma (Troyer) Mast. He is survived by his parents; his wife Betty (Raber) Mast; a son, Edward of the home; a sister, Anna N. of the home; three brothers, Marvin of Fresno R3, Willis N. and Mose N. of the home; and his grandfather, Mose J. Mast of Baltic R1. Funeral services were held by Menno N. Schlabach; Burial in the Joe Yoder Cemetery in Clark Township.

DEATH OF OHIO MAN RULED SUICIDE

A Holmes County, Ohio coroner ruled suicide by hanging in the death of David E.M. Miller, 43, of R5, Millersburg. Members of the family found his body Thursday, February 18, at 7:30 p.m. hanging in the barn on the family farm. He was born near Sugarcreek, a son of Mrs. Susan (Yoder) Miller of here and Emanuel M. Miller who died five months ago. Surviving are his widow, Verna (Beachy) Miller; six daughters and five sons, Susan, Miriam, Cora, Esta, Rachel, Ruby, Willis, John, David Jr., Marcus and Jerry of the home; four sisters, Mrs. Noah D. (Alma) Troyer of Winesburg, Mrs. Jonas E. (Mary) Mullet, Mrs. Mahlon (Mattie) Mullet and Mrs. Levi R. (Cora) Yoder of R2, Sugarcreek, and three brothers, Noah E., Roman E. and Mose E. of Sugarcreek R2. A daughter, two sisters and a brother are deceased. Funeral services were held by Bishop Atlee Miller; Burial was in Miller Family Cemetery in Walnut Creek Township.

INDIANA WOMAN DIED UNEXPECTEDLY

Susie Miller, 73, of Shipshewana died unexpectedly Tuesday morning, February 9, at her home. She and her husband, Jonathan, were scattering ashes over the ice in front of their home when she suffered the fatal seizure. She was born near Honeyville May 6, 1897, and was married June 29, 1915. They had resided at their present home for 32 years. Surviving with her husband are three sons, Clemence and Ezra, both of Shipshewana R2, and Levi of LaGrange; three daughters, Mrs. Ora H. (Alma) Bontrager of LaGrange R4; Mrs. Ora (Ruby) Beechy, Topeka, and Mrs. Elizabeth Gruber of Elkhart; 34 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; five sisters, Mrs. Levi (Rachel) Schrock of Shipshewana, Mrs. Tobe T. (Katie) Yoder, Mrs. Joe Fry and Mrs. Ed (Gertie) Yoder, all of Middlebury and Mrs. Sarah Yoder of Millersburg, and five brothers, Henry Stutzman of LaGrange, John and Jerry Stutzman, both of Hutchinson, Kansas, Joseph Stutzman of Middlebury and Levi Stutzman of Jackso, Mississippi. Funeral services were held by Bishop David Bontrager and Dan E. Bontrager; Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery at Shipshewana.

VIRGINIA MAN HAD BRAIN TUMOR

Atlee Hershberger, 29, Stuarts Draft, Va. who had cancer of the brain died Wednesday, February 24, after lingering two years. He was blind for over a year and spent his last days in a wheel chair. He is survived by his wife and two children. Their first child died of a brain tumor. Funeral services were held by Eli Yoder of the home church.

DAVIESS CO., IND. ACCIDENT

Willis, 6 year old, twin son of Jerome and Catherine Graber was critically injured when he and his brother Willard were helping their father move a hog house. He was crushed between the draw bar and house. He has been in the hospital for 4 weeks. Their address is Montgomery R1, Indiana.

"Lasset die Kindlein zu mir kommen".
Mark 10:14

BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania
Beiler, Levi L. (Rachel F. Stoltzfus) Quarryville R3, a son LEVI S., February 28
Esh, John S. (Sadie L. Stoltzfus) Quarryville R3, a daughter BETTY SUE, February 14
Fisher, Amos S. (Leah S. Lapp) Christiana R1, a daughter RACHEL L., February 19
Fisher, Amos S. (Anna Glick) 674 Hartman St. Rd., Lancaster, a son AMOS S. JR., February 22
Fisher, Elam E. (Barbara King) Honey Brook R2, a son, February 14
Fisher, Elmer B. (Sarah Stoltzfus) Ronks R1, a son ELMER JR., February 25
Fisher, Levi J. (Rachel S. Miller) Quarryville R3, twins a son AMMON & a dau ANNIE, Feb. 9
Glick, Christian Z. (Malinda Stoltzfus) Honey Brook R2, a daughter, February 15
Glick, Daniel K. (Emma S. Stoltzfus) 88 Geist Rd., Lancaster, a son STEVIE, February 1
Glick, Eli S. (Annie Esh) Leola R1, a daughter SARAH, February 7
Glick, John R. (Rebecca Fisher) Quarryville R3, a daughter RACHEL F., February 18
Huyard, Isaac F. (Lydia Fisher) New Holland R1, a daughter LINDA, February 21
Kauffman, Christian S. (Mattie King) Honey Brook R2, a son JOHN K., February 12
King, Christian S. (Katie Riehl) Ronks R1, a daughter SUSANNA MAE, February 1
King, David B. (Ada King) 2529 Horseshoe Rd., Lancaster, a son AARON K., February 18
King, Eli R. (Mary L. Miller) Gordonville R1, a daughter FANNIE M., February 2
King, Jonas K. (Priscilla Beiler) Gordonville R1, a son SAMUEL U., February 12
Lapp, Benjamin B. (Esther E. Riehl) Ronks R1, a daughter, February 13
Lapp, Eli K. (Katie Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1, a son JACOB S., February 23
Miller, Eli L. (Annie K. Petersheim) Bird-in-Hand R1, a daughter LYDIA P., February 28
Riehl, Daniel E. (Mary L. King) Ronks R1, a son EPHRAIM K., February 17
Stoltzfus, Aaron E. (Sarah K. Esh) S. Groffdale Rd., Leola, a daughter NAOMI, February 5
Stoltzfus, Amos E. (Hannah Yoder) Honey Brook R2, a daughter SUSANNA E., February 20
Stoltzfus, Christian (Lavina Stoltzfus) Ronks R1, a daughter RACHEL, February 2
Stoltzfus, Elam B. (Arie S. Stoltzfus) Gap R1, a daughter NAOMI M., February 10
Stoltzfus, Elam H. (Anna Mary Fisher) 182 Quarry Rd., Leola, a son SAMUEL, February 20
Stoltzfus, Eli K. (Melinda K. Fisher) Scenic Rd., Gordonville R1, a dau PRISCILLA, Feb. 2
Stoltzfus, John S. (Lydia Esh) Gordonville R1, a son STEVIE A., February 9
Stoltzfus, John Z. (Rachel Blank) Gap R1, a daughter SADIE MAE, February 19
Stoltzfus, Joseph E. (Lydia L. Fisher) Peach Bottom R1, a son DAVID F., February 5
Stoltzfus, Samuel I. (Sylvia Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1, a daughter ELSIE, February 12
Stoltzfus, Samuel K. (Lavina Kauffman) Horseshoe Rd., Lancaster, a dau ANNIE K., February 12
Stoltzfus, Samuel K. (Lydia Beiler) Kirkwood, a son Israel B., February 18
Stoltzfus, Simeon Jr. (Drusilla Riehl) Quarryville R3, a son SIMEON R., February 8
Swarey, Aaron (Fannie L. Stoltzfus) Leola R1, a son BENJAMIN S., February 23
Zook, Paul (Naomi Esh) Gordonville R1, a son PAUL JAMES, February 11

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania
King, David Z. (Emma F. Lapp) a daughter SUSIE, February 16

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania
Zook, Jonas (Sarah Detweiler) Allensville, Pa., a son, February 1

Somerset County, Pennsylvania
Yoder, Wilmer A. (Lizzie Slabaugh) Salisbury R1, a daughter LAURA, February 27

St. Mary's County, Maryland
Swarey, Benjamin (Katie Stoltzfus) Charlotte Hall, a daughter HANNAH, February 14

Adams County, Indiana
Hilty, Joe S. (Leah N. Schwartz) Geneva R2, a son JOHN, February 25
Schwartz, Dan H. (Lucy Wickey) Monroe R1, a son MICHIAL, February 5
Schwartz, Dan M.J. (Mary Ann Wichey) Berne R2, a son, February 23
Schwartz, Harvey D. (Carol N. Schwartz) Berne R1, a daughter LAURA, February 21
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Schwartz, Martin H. (Mary Graber) Geneva R2, a son HENRY, February 20
Shetler, Felty (Sylvia Hilty) Monroe R1, a son SAMUEL
Shetler, Samuel (Amanda N. Schwartz) Berne R1, a son JAMES, February 28

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Daviess County, Indiana
Eicher, Marvin (Fannie Wagler) a daughter MARY EMMA, February 24
Graber, Alva (Fannie Mae Miller) a son THOMAS, February 27
Kemp, Raymond (Catherine Wagler) a son KENNETH EUGENE, February 11
Knepp, William (Lovina Knepp) a son PERRY DEAN, January 28
Raber, Ervin (Lydia Eicher) a daughter ROSELYN, January 26
Stoll, Joe (Sara Catherine Knepp) a daughter DELILAH JEAN, February 16
Wagler, Frank (Esther Graber) a son DAVID, February 12
Yoder, Ora (Ada Marie Lengacher) a daughter DELORES, January 31

LaGrange County, Indiana
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Bontrager, Orva (Wilma Frey) Shipshewana R1, a daughter LIZZIE MARIE, February 9
Bontrager, Reuben (Marietta Troyer) Ligonier R3, a son LA VERN R., February 4
Eash, Melvin (Alta Miller) Topeka R1, a daughter JOANN, February 15
Hochstetler, Eli (Fannie Mae Schmucker) LaGrange R4, a daughter EMMA E., February 16
Hochstetler, Wesley (Mary Hochstetler) LaGrange R4, a daughter LIZZIE, January 23
Lehman, Amos (Ruby Miller) Topeka R2, a son VERNON JAY, February 13
Miller, Elva Jay (Elsie Weaver) Ligonier R3, a daughter MARY EDNA, January 28
Miller, Ervin (Alta Yoder) LaGrange R4, a daughter WILMA SUE, February 20
Miller, Ervin (Mary Lambright) LaGrange R4, a son DANIEL E., February 14 (died Feb. 16)
Miller, Melvin (Lydia Troyer) Shipshewana R1, a daughter DOROTHY MARIE, February 7
Schrock, Alvin (Polly Bontrager) LaGrange, a son MELVIN, February 17
Schrock, Samuel (Martha Bontrager) Middlebury R1, a daughter MARY ETTA, February 14
Yoder, David (Mary Ellan Wingard) Goshen R1, a son STEVEN, January 29
Yoder, John (Lydia Mae Miller) Wolcottville R2, a daughter RUTH J., February 12
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Yoder, Perry (Anna Marie Beachy) Millersburg R1, a daughter ESTHER P., January 28

Arthur, Illinois
Helmuth, Obed (Anna Schrock) a daughter MARTHA ANN, February 2
Miller, Gideon, a son, February 20
Schlabaugh, Eli (Rebecca Mast) a daughter SARAH MARIE, February 3
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Johnson County, Iowa
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Buchanan County, Iowa
Beechy, Jerry (Verna Helmuth) Hazleton, a daughter EMMA, February 8
Detweiler, Lester (Fanny Bontrager) Hazleton, a son PERRY, January 29
Helmuth, Emanuel J. (Edna Bontrager) Hazleton, a son VERNON, February 5
Mullet, Eli E. (Verba Mast) Fairbanks, twins daughters SADIE & ADA, February 21
Stutzman, Jerry E. (Emma Hershberger) Independence, a daughter RACHEL, February 17

MARRIAGES

Johnson County, Iowa
February 18, Cecil, son of Jeff and Laura (Bontrager) Ropp and
Dorothy, daughter of Andy and Fannie (Yoder) Helmuth by Bishop Truman Miller
February 25, Joseph, son of Bishop Truman and Lovina (Swartzentruber) Miller and
Rhoda, daughter of Abe and Alta (Otto) Kauffman by the groom's father

Buchanan County, Iowa
February 4, Eddie, son of Ed and Anna Gingerich and
Mary, daughter of Deacon Andy and Sarah Kurtz by John Kramer of Jamesport, Mo.

Arthur, Illinois
February 14, Abraham, son of Mrs. Cris A. Schrock and
Frances, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan S. Miller
February 25, Elmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan A. Miller and
Katie Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Yoder

Daviess County, Indiana
January 31, Verlin Stoll and Delores Knepp by Bishop Fred W. Knepp
February 28, Ezra Wagler and Mary Louise Wagler by Bishop Levi Graber
February 11, David, son of Bishop Fred W. Knepp and
Anna Mae, daughter of Albert Knepp by the groom's father

LaGrange County, Indiana
February 11, Marvin, son of Wm. and Melinda (Swartz) Beachy, LaGrange R4 and
Amanda, daughter of Andy J. and Katie (Petersheim) Schrock of LaGrange R4
February 25, LeRoy, son of David S. and Ada (Mast) Yoder of Middlebury and
Rosa, daughter of Wm. H. and Clara (Lehman) Miller of Middlebury
February 20, Menno, son of John I. and Lizzie (Wingard) Schrock, Topeka and
Esther, daughter of Albert H. and Katie (Yoder) Graber of Nappanee

From Out of the Past

75 Years ago 1896 Submitted by Nancy K. Stoltzfus

From the Diary of Barbara Zook

Monday, February 17: This morning it was zero. We were in school. Williams girls hands were frozen. They cried in school

Thursday, February 20: On Monday there was an earthquake I don't know where.

Friday, February 28: It thundered this morning.

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 1.6 inches in January instead of 16 as recorded in the Jan. issue. There were 4.5 inches of rain in February. Farm Prices: Fat Hogs, $17. to $20. Cwt.; Feeder Steers, 30. to 40. Cwt.; Fat Steers, 30. to 35. Cwt.; Feeder Pigs, 10. apiece; Veal, 58. Cwt.; Dairy Cattle at New Holland sold from 445. to 670. a head; Corn, 42. per ton, 1.75 bu.; Wheat, 1.77 bu.; Barley, 1.30 bu.; Oats, .90 bu.; Alfalfa Hay, 34. to 51. Ton; Hay, Mixed, 27. to 43. per Ton; Straw, 37. to 42. Ton; Potatoes, 2.20 to 3.00 Cwt.; Eggs, large .37 doz.; Tobacco was sold from .28 to .30 a lb. for straight strip; Sorted Tobacco from .32 to .34 a lb. for wrappers and fillers .20 a lb.; There was some sold to the South at .40 lb.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania by Nancy K. Stoltzfus

February began with the mercury at zero the first two days, and stayed fairly cold until the 12th. Then the snow began to melt, which had been on the ground since Christmas. The 13th it rained most of the day, ending with a brief thunder shower in the evening. With the ground still frozen and still more snow melting, meadows and fields were soon flooded. Creeks overflowed, at many places going over the roads. Various roads were closed. Some places it was too deep for even a buggy to drive through. On Sunday morning, the 14th there was still so much water around that one family from the West district had to turn around and take a different road three times on their way to church in East district. A number of families in the city of Lebanon had to leave their homes temporily because of the high waters. The rest of the month was fairly warm, hardly freezing. Large flocks of wild geese were seen flying nort on the 15th.

Snyder County, by Sam M. Troyer

February started out cold, around zero. About 8 inches of snow on the 7th. The snow and ice lasted almost through the month, but it wasn't overly cold. The last few days were warm. Lots of geese flew over on the 20th. Blue Birds and Killdeers are back.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania by Catherine M. Swarey

February came in with zero weather,the first week cold, much sleet, fog, and ice. One to two inches of rain during February, also some very nice spring-like days. The second week was warmer. Evening of 13th got cold, rain turned to sleet and snow. Roads were very bad. Sunday morning was snowy and stormy, roads were closed, church attendance was small. The last week seemed more spring-like. Wild geese, buzzards, and ground hogs were seen. At one Amish farm sale in our area this spring held on February 27, a team of Belgiam horses sold for $1100., cows nearly all sold for $600.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania by Abe S. Kinsinger

Cold with a lot of snow, rain and ice the first half of February, then turning nice with spring-like weather. People are tapping sugar trees, and some are gathering their first runs of sugar water for the season.

St. Mary's County. Maryland by Amos R. Stoltzfus

February started with 4 degrees the 1st, followed by zero the next morning. A few more cold days with snow and a freezing rain February 5th left ice over everything outside. Till the 16th it warmed up and seemed like spring since. Had a thunder and hail storm the 13th. A lot of rain in February but very little snow. March came in like a lamb and grass is turning green. Buds are starting to push. The ground is very wet.

Fredericksburg, Ohio by Mrs. Crist Petersheim

Weather the week of the 22nd was more cloudy, rain of and on, not so cold, temperature, 25 to 44, snow about all gone.

Adams County, Indiana by Mary Ann Hilty

February was a cold, windy and icy month. Out of 28 days, precipation of some sort fell on 17 days, either in form of rain, snow or sleet. For one stretch of 6 days we never saw the sun.

LaGrange County, Indiana by Ervin D. Hochstetler

The first 2 days it was 10 below zero, the the 4th it rained and froze. The next day it warmed up and it was milder after that. The highest was 50 the 26th. Total rainfall was 2½ inches, snow about 8 inches. Some farmers have tapped maple trees for syrup.

Aylmer, Ontario, Canada by LeRoy Eicher

We had some real winter weather the first part of Feb., last part was warm. Corn, $1.40.

Daviess County, Indiana by Lester Marner

We had a lot of snow in February. Temperature stayed about zero. February 13 we has a snow storm and the 14th high winds which resulted in many people being snow bound. The east-west roads were closed.

Arthur, Illinois by Menno A. Diener

In the first week we had a few nice showers of rain, about 1½ or inches. Because of the frozen ground most of the water drained off. Feb. 11, 8 below, a light snow and some wind. Feb. 13, bright and clear at sun-up, a very nice scenery, ice and a little glistening snow as far as the eye could see. Warmer and up to the 20 most of the frost out of the ground. On the 18th the temperature was up to 60. The week of 21, another 1½ inches rain.

Kalona, Iowa by Eli S. Bontrager

We had pretty steady winter weather through January and first half of February with zero and to 18 below for 20 days. However, it has moderated since. A wet snow fell 22nd, 1" or so.

Jamesport, Missouri by Amos W. Yoder

On February 16 and 17 the temperature went up to 66 degrees, which finished off our snow of January 2. During the night of Feb. 21st we had thunder and lightening, some rain and about 4 inches snow. Night of 28th it snowed 4 inches again. Price of corn is 1.50 per bu. Grade B milk is 3.77 per Cwt.

OBITUARIES

Eicher, Joseph E., 60, Berne R2, Indiana

a well known farmer, died suddenly February 27 after he suffered a stroke in his home. He was born September 14, 1910 in Wabash Township, the son of Jacob J. and Elizabeth (Schwartz) Eicher. He was married to Elizabeth Girod March 14, 1932. Surviving in addition to his wife are 8 daughters and 4 sons, 52 grandchildren, 4 brothers and 3 sisters. Funeral services were held March 2; Burial was in the Schwartz Cemetery.

Fisher, Miss Leah S., 59, Ronks R1, Pennsylvania

died Monday February 8 at St. Joseph's hospital where she had been admitted six days earlier. She was a diabetic patient and suffered from cancer the last year. She was born in East Lampeter Twp., daughter of the late Aaron L. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Fisher. Surviving are six brothers, Stephen U. Fisher, Strasburg R1; Jacob S. Fisher, Gordonville R1; Samuel M. Fisher, Ronks R1; Levi and Aaron Fisher, both of Gap R2; and Amos K. Fisher, New Providence R1; and a sister, Rebecca, wife of Christian Stoltzfus, New Holland R1. Funeral services were held by Lloyd Beiler and John K. Lapp; Hymn "Welt Hienweg" by Jacob A. King; At graveside a hymn was read by Aaron J. Stoltzfus; Absheid by Sam F. Stoltzfus. The burial was at Millwood Cemetery.

Lapp, Susie, 81, wife of Samuel F. Lapp, Gap R1, Pennsylvania

died Sunday, February 21 at 5:15 p.m. at the Lancaster General Hospital. She had been under the care of a physician. She was born in Lancaster County, a daughter of the late Jonathan and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Lantz. Besides her husband, she is survived by seven sons, John B., Jonathan L., and Isaac L., of Gap R1; Samuel L., Worton R1, Md.; Leroy S., Parkesburg R2; Christian H., Hermoss Beach, Calif.; and Melvin L., Drumore; three daughters, Lizzie, wife of Gideon Stoltzfus, Intercourse; Miriam, wife of Christian S. Petersheim, Gap R1; and Susie, wife of Aaron S. Glick, Quarryville R2; five brothers, Henry Lantz, Ronks R1; Benjamin Lantz, Parkesburg R1; Jonathan Lantz, Gap R1; and Amos and Isaac Lantz, Gordonville R1; two sisters, Lydia, wife of Christian F. King, Ronks R1; and Mrs. Hannah Stoltzfus, Gap R1; 40 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. Three sons and one daughter preceded her in death. Funeral services were held at the late home; Burial in Buena Vista Cemetery.

Miller, Daniel E., two-day old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin N. Miller, LaGrange R4, Indiana

died Tuesday evening, February 16, in the LaGrange County Hospital. Surviving along with his parents are his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ammon Lambright of Topeka and Mr. and Mrs. Nathanial Miller of LaGrange; three sisters and six brothers all at home. Funeral services were held by Bishop Andrew Schrock; Burial was in the Mast Cemetery.

Miller, Melinda J., 83, of Star Rt., Millersburg, Ohio

died Sunday, February 21, following a long illness. She was the widow of Jacob B. Miller who died in 1963. She is survived by a son, Emanuel J. Miller of Apple Creek R2; two daughters, Mrs. Eli Gingerich of Orrville R2 and Mrs. Abe Keim of the home; three brothers, Levi E. Weaver of Wooster; Harry E. Weaver of Fredericksburg R1 and Eli E. Weaver of Dundee R1; four half-sisters, Mrs. Albert Yoder, Fredericksburg R2, Mrs. Wesley Yoder of Dundee R1; Mrs. Eli J.C. Miller of Millersburg Star Rt.; 32 grandchildren and 54 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held by Jonas Keim; Burial in Steve Keim Cemetery.

Plank, Joni T., 92, of Arthur R1, Illinois

died February 20. He was born in Shelbyville February 26, 1878 a son of Jacob S. and Elizabeth (Schrock) Plank, married December 12, 1906 to Mary Bontrager in Haven, Kansas, leaves wife and 137 survivors, 6 boys and 6 girls. One boy, Lonnie preceded him in death, was struck by lightening April 22, 1944. Also surviving are 65 grandchildren and 59 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at the home of his son Jacob February 24.

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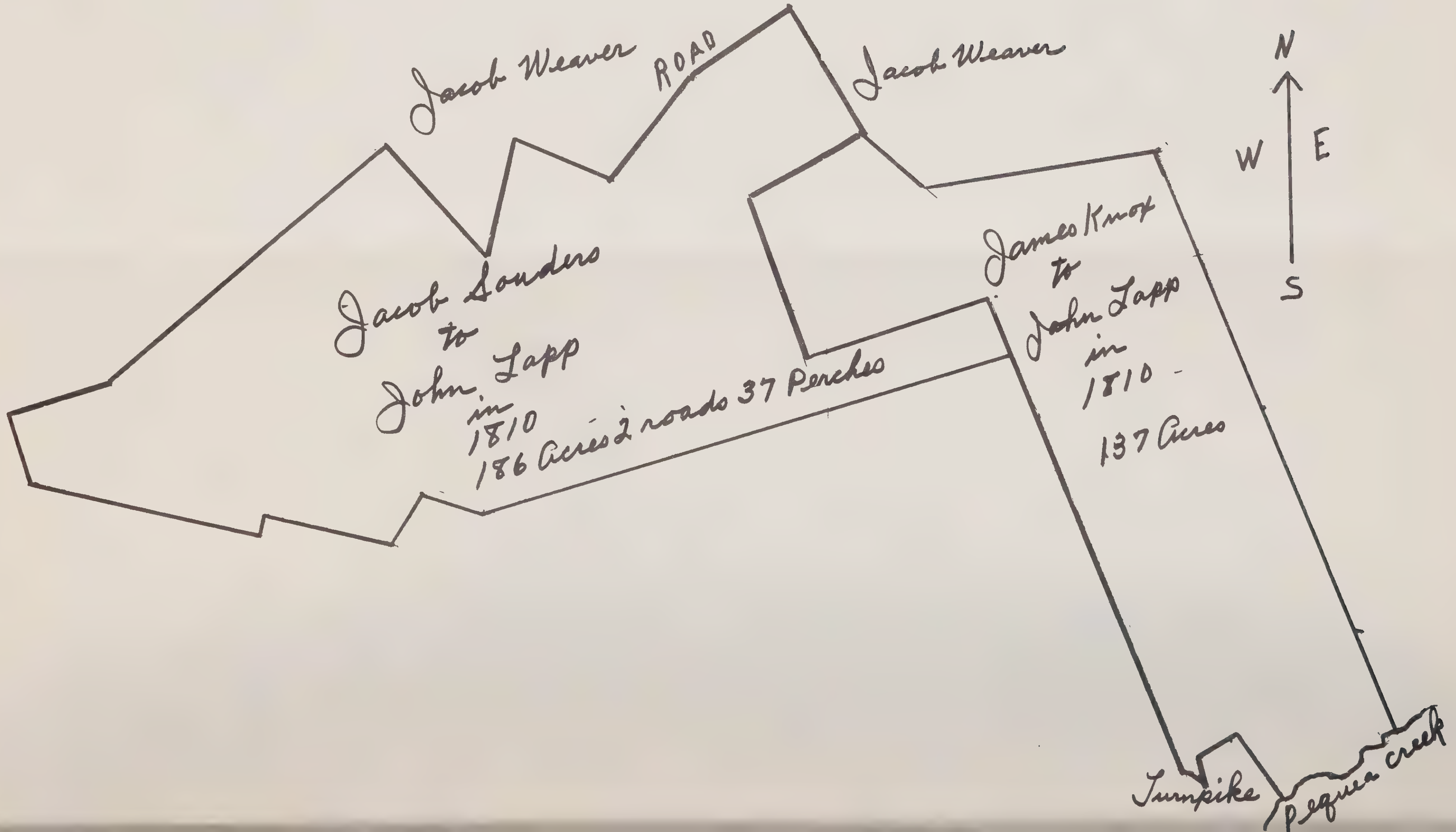
Here is a sketch of the land which John Lapp purchased in 1810 which lies north west of Paradise, Pennsylvania between Gordonville and Soudersburg in Leacock and East Lampeter Townships. After John Lapp's death in 1815 some land was sold and his father Michael Lapp purchased some adjoining land which at that time was mostly in wood and roads had been changed since.


Jacob Weaver
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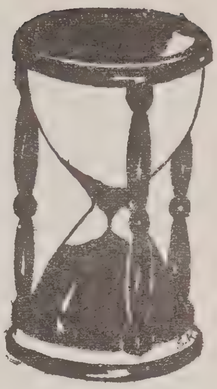
Jacob Souders to John Lapp in 1810 186 Acres 2 roods 37 Perches
James Knox to John Lapp in 1810 - 137 Acres
Turnpike
Pequea creek

The Hour Glass



To Recall a Few Memories of the Past by Amos L. Fisher

In the last month issue of THE DIARY is listed a copy of Michael Lapp's will of 1824. Due to a mistake in copying a few lines were missing where he listed the names of his children. Following is the correction. His children's names were John, Jacob, Michael Jr., Barbara, David, Christian, Abraham, Maria, Susanna, Isaac, and Joseph. His children living at the time his will was written were Jacob, Barbara, David, Maria, Christian, Abraham, and Susanna. We will give an account of the inventory and appraisal list of the personal property of John Lapp Sr. who died in 1815, the oldest son of Michael Lapp. This account has just recently been found

An inventory of the goods, chattles rights and credit of John Lapp late of Leacock Twp in the County of Lancaster and State of Pennsylvania deceased, made this 5th day of October Anno Domino 1815

To his wearing apparel	$16.00
A Mare Sattle and bridle	$75.00
a ball horse	$160.00
a great mare	$130.00
a old Bay horse	$170.00
a colt	$20.00
Five sets of horse geears	$30.00
Plough gears	$12.00
Blind hatters and lines	$5.00
a 5th chain	$3.00
a turn Pike Waggon with 2 sets a Wheels	$220.00
one old wagon with 2 sets a Wheels	$50.00
2 set hay latters	$14.00
a small wagon with broad wheels	$60.00
5 ploughs	$45.00
2 hoe plows	$200.00
2 harrows	$10.00
several chains and 3 double trees	$8.00
a cart	$16.00
a stone roller	$8.00
a white headed cow	$25.00
5 milke cows	$125.00
2 steers	$65.00
Eight head of cattle	$110.00
Six ditto fat steers	$222.00
Two head of Sheep	$4.00
Twelve head of Sheep	$25.00
Two head of Hogs	$9.00
Nine head ditto	$90.00
4 latters and 4 rakes	$4.00
a Weel-Borrow and Sundry	$2.00
a Cutten Box and an old sattle -	$15.00
a Basket buckets	$1.50
22 cow chains	$11.00
a wind-mill Forks and Rakes and riddles	$20.00
150 bushel of wheat more or less	$225.00
100 bushel of Rye more or less	$100.00
250 bushel of Oats more or less	$100.00
28 bushel of flax seed	$28.00
to a quantity of old bags	$26.00
a quantity of hay	$280.00
a quantity of second crop hay	$42.00
13 empty barrels	$6.50
2 ditto	$1.00
a quantity of hoes and shovels	$5.00
a chest of splitting tools and hand screw	$6.00
a quantity of carpenter tools	$5.00
a grind stone and sundry	$3.60
a shaving horse 2 brakes and Sundry	$3.00
a broad ax and a quantity of old lights	$2.00
a quantity Pine shingles and Robe work	$5.00
a apple-mill trough	$7.00
Crowbars a washing tub and funnel	$6.00
a quantity of Pine boards	$4.00
162 ready made posts	$54.00
To a bed and bed stead	$20.00
ditto ditto	$20.00
ditto ditto	$20.00
5 chairs	$5.00
a quantity of Lincy	$5.00
a quantity of cloth and Lincy	$30.00
one cloth cuppard	$4.00
a quantity of Linnen table cloth	$17.32
30 yards of flax linnen	$20.00
10 towels	$2.50
2 chests	$6.00
a reel	$1.00
a writing Desk	$3.00
2 bottles a pair of sheep shares and Sundry	$1.25
9 chairs	$4.75
a pair of Stilliards	$1.00
9 bottles and Sundry	$2.50
a basket with 2 old blankets	$2.00
a quantity of unbroken flax	$4.50
a double barrel with a quantity of cider and a quantity of whiskey	$14.00
3 beds and bed steads	$60.00
3 ditto ditto	$70.00
1 old wagon bed	$2.00
1 old chest	$1.00
2 chairs	$1.50
Giberlet	$.60
a quantity of heckled flax	$7.50
a quantity of dry apples	$2.00
ditto ditto	$2.50
To a chest and a quantity of salt	$1.50
a wool-wheel	$.40
Rittles and sundry	$1.25
3 cradles	$8.50
10 old sickles	$1.32
a chafe-bag and sundry	$1.00
a chest for wood and 6 halter chains	3.50

2 bee hives	$3.00
a quantity of books	$5.00
a quantity of ditto	$12.00
a calf	$5.00
a bond of John Lapp Jr. Payable April 1st 1816 without interest	$400.00
Ditto Ditto payable April 1st 1817 without interest	$400.00
Ditto Ditto payable April 1st 1818 without interest	$400.00
Ditto Ditto payable April 1st 1819 without interest	$400.00
Ditto Ditto payable April 1st 1820 without interest the sum	$546.66
a note payable the 20th of June 1815	$65.00
Cash	$487.00
300 ft. of chesnut Rails more or less	$30.00
6 old axes	$8.00
Black Smith tools	$30.00
a Copper kettle	$10.00
a ten platted stove	$15.00
a Iron wash kettle	$9.00
a churn and 2 tubs	$5.00
one large earthen crock and a set of Flax heckels	$1.50
One stand and grinding trough	$3.00
5 bread baskets	$0.50
On Cabage Bench and Beef scabs	$2.00

a fishing net and baskets	$1.50
a cross cut saw	$3.00
20 acreas of Indien's Corn in the field more or less	$300.00
a quantity of potatoes	$40.00
2 Casks with Salt and Sundry	$2.50
a number of old benches	$6.00
a large pine table	$3.50
a walnut ditto	$3.00
a ditto ditto	$1.50
a ten platted stove and house clock and case	$50.00
10 pewter plates a quantity of spoon and dishes and more other pewter ware	$9.00
447 Feet of Oake Blanks more or less	$22.50
a kitchen dresser and kitchen furniture	$13.00
and old ditto with all is in and on	5.00
a small table and Sundry	$2.00
Iron pots Lathes and Sundry kitchen furniture	$5.50
a quantity of kitchen furniture	$5.00
a crate Iron and Sundry kitchen furniture	$1.75
Sundry kitchen furniture	$1.50
a book Debt	$24.00
8 cords of oak wood	$32.00
1 tub of butter	$7.15
a quantity of earthen pots	$1.80

appraised by us Christian Fisher
Jacob Swartzentruber (signed in German)

Exhibited into the Registers office at Lancaster the 6th day of October Anno Dominid 15

the appraisors and the excutors affirmed the same day and year By John Lapp Jr.
Christian King
(signed in German)

Before William Bausman Reg.

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Plank, Noah J., aged 83 yrs. and 10 mo., of Buchanan County, Iowa
died January 16. He was born March 17, 1887 in Reno Co., Kansas, was married to Lovina Petersheim March 19, 1908 in Reno Co. Kansas, lived in matrimony 62 yrs., 9 mo., 28 days. Their children are Anna, Mrs. Abe Bontrager, Fairbank, Iowa; Jacob married Susan Bontrager, Fairbank, Iowa; Susie, Mrs. Simeon Hostetler, Milroy, Indiana; Lizzie, Mrs. Ervin Miller, Topeka, Indiana; William, died January 9, 1940; Ida Mae, Mrs. Ora Miller, Independence, Ia.; Edna, Mrs. Levi Miller, Independence, Iowa.

Schwartz, Mrs. Jacob I., 33, Geneva R2, Indiana
died February 13 after a long illness with cancer. She had her first surgery last June 1970, returned home, was hospitalized again, came home for a few weeks over the holidays and entered the hospital for the last time January 18, 1971. Mrs. Swartz, the former Marg Miller was a native of Haven, Kansas where she was born June 1, 1937 a daughter of Samuel H. and Katie (Coblentz) Miller. She was married to Jacob I. Schwartz June 6, 1963 in Adams County. Surviving are the husband, three sons, Samuel, Daniel and Jacob; two daughters, Mary and Susan all at home. The parents of Kalona, Iowa and 4 sisters. Services were held at the Dan C. Schwartz home; Burial was in the Wabash Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, Bishop D. Ira, 79 yrs., 11 mo., and 5 days, of Kinzers R1, Pennsylvania
died at 6:15 a.m. Sunday, February 21, at his home. He died unexpectedly while getting ready to attend church services. The husband of Malinda Stoltzfus, who died in 1968, he was born in Salisbury Twp., a son of the late Daniel M. and Katie (Lapp) Stoltzfus. He served as a bishop for 15 years and was an ordained minister for 35 years. Surviving are four daus, Sarah, wife of Amos Beiler, Paradise R1; Salome, wife of Abram S. Beiler, Gordonville R1; Miss Lydia and Miss Katie Stoltzfus, both at home; Also, six sons, Stephen U., Tobias M., Joseph S., and Ira Jr., all of Kinzers R1; Benjamin S., Paradise R1; and Amos E. Parkesburg R2; 55 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren. He was the last of his immediate family. Two sons preceded him in death. Funeral services were held by John K. Stoltzfus and Bishop Sam F. Stoltzfus; Burial in Millwood Cemetery. Pallbearers were Bishop Jacob Stoltzfus from Brush Valley, Bishop Isaac Zook from Lebanon, Bishop John F. Glick and Bishop John Beiler

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Ein verhandlung der einigkeit gehalten von der unterſchiedlichen Gemeinde von Pennſylvanien.

Den 17ten Oktober 1807.

Beſchloſſen Erſtens, das alle diejenigen die ſich mit andern Gemeinden vereinbaren, ſollen als abtreinigen Menſchen nach das Lehren und Ordnung abgeſondert und bann würdig erkannt werden.

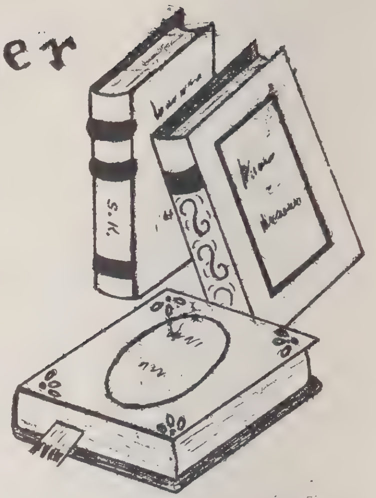
2ten Wer eine vermahnung thun will an eine Leicht nach Chriſtlicher ordnung iſt freiheit in der Gemein aber nicht auſſerhalb der Gemein.

3ten haben wir keinen grund der Schrift jemand aus dem Raht der Gemein zu ſchlieſſen.

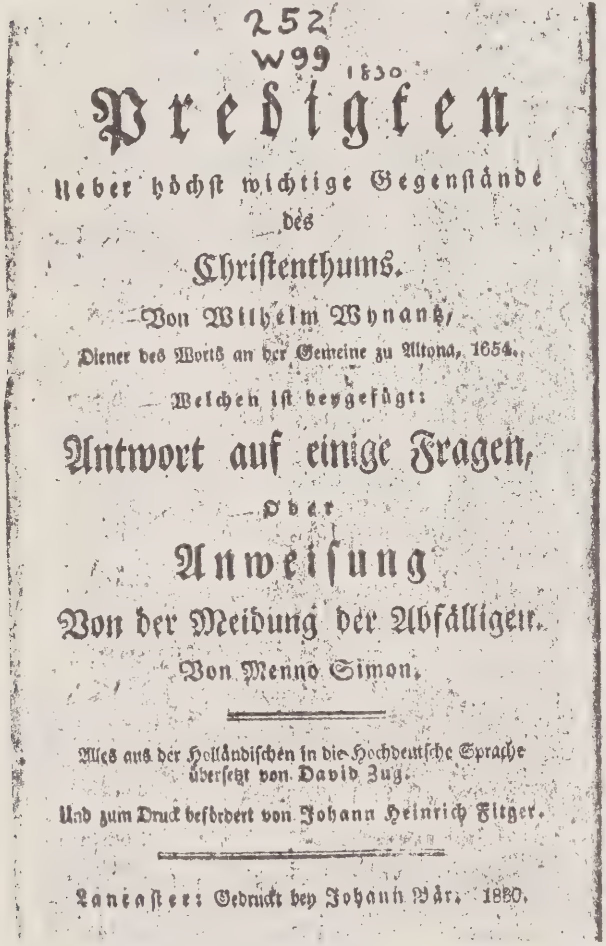
4ten Das die Meidung an der aus gebannte Menſchen ſoll gehalten werden nach Chriſti und der Apoſtel lehr, bis das ſie wieder von der Gemein aufgenommen ſind, es ſei in eſſen oder trinken, handel und wandel.

(Fortſetzung folgt.)

Unſere Geiſtliche Bücher



Lasset das Wort Christi unter euch reichlich wohnen in aller Weisheit; lehret und vermahnet euch selbst mit Psalmen und Lobgesangen und geistlichen Liedern, und singet dem Herren in eurem Herzen. Kolosser 3:16



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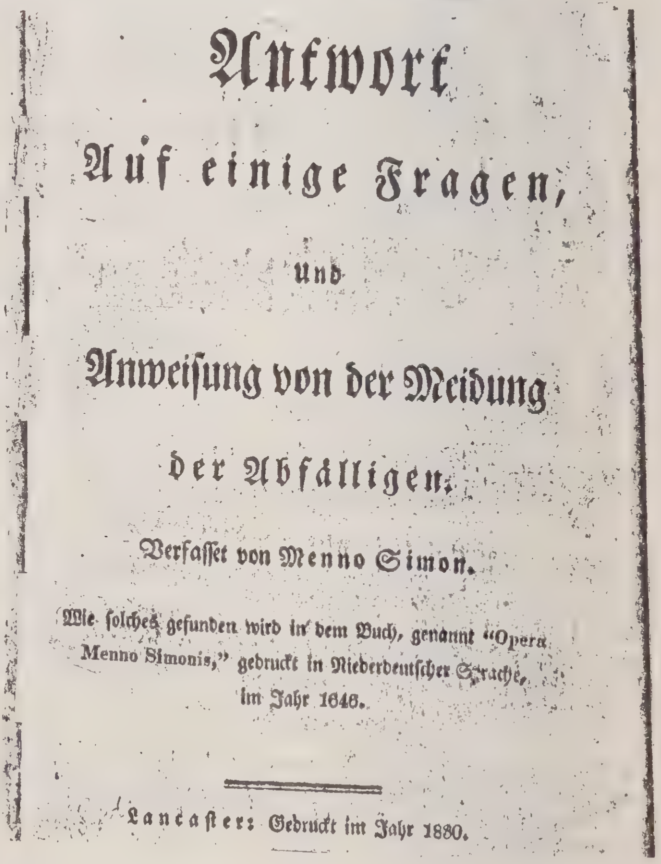
Predigten
Ueber höchſt wichtige Gegenſtände
des
Chriſtenthums.
Von Wilhelm Wynantz,
Diener des Worts an der Gemeine zu Altona, 1654.
Welchen iſt beygefügt:
Antwort auf einige Fragen,
oder
Anweiſung
Von der Meidung der Abfälligen.
Von Menno Simon.

Alles aus der Holländiſchen in die Hochdeutſche Sprache
überſetzt von David Zug.
Und zum Druck befördert von Johann Heinrich Filger.

Lancaſter: Gedruckt bey Johann Bär. 1830.



Antwort
Auf einige Fragen,
und
Anweiſung von der Meidung
der Abfälligen.
Verfaſſet von Menno Simon.
Wie ſolches gefunden wird in dem Buch, genannt "Opera
Menno Simonis," gedruckt in Niederdeutſcher Sprache,
im Jahr 1646.

Lancaſter: Gedruckt im Jahr 1830.

SERMONS OF WILHELM WYNANTZ (WIJNANTZ)

This book of the sermons of Wilhelm Wynantz consists of 277 pages with "Antwart auf Fragen" (answers to questions) concerning "Meidung" von Menno Simons combined in a handy shelf size book. It contains very interesting reading as well as valuable information regarding the modes of the early Mennonite church of the lowlands in Germany and shows how similar are their doctrines and standards of which the Amish churches in America strive to uphold or maintain today. The Wynantz sermons were very popular among the more conservative Mennonites up to the early nineteenth century.[1] Robert Friedman writes on his book "Mennonite Piety Through the Centuries" that the Amish in America favored this book, too, which is plainly visible here in the title page that it was translated to High German from the Original Low German or "Hollandish Sprache" for the Amish church. While this was in 1830 it was later picked up by the Mennonite Press at Scottdale in 1926 and many of those could still be in existence today. The David Zug editions may be classed as rare, although there are scattered publications yet to be found in Amish homes and it is a known fact that these were in frequent use among our ministers in recent years.

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[1] Mennonite Encyclopedia Vol. IV, P. 999

It is noteworthy to add that these "Wynantz" sermons are one of the few written sermons that were ever accepted by the Amish. Robert Friedman lists only three:[1] Those of Wilhelm Wynantz, "Deknatels Predigen" reprinted in 1835, and "Denners Betrachten" reprinted 1860.[2] The later one is perhaps the most widely used today among the Amish. Perhaps it should be added though that other books of religious origin were and are numerous among the Amish such as those written by Dietrich Phillips, George Jutzi, Daniel Stutzman, Daniel Mast, David Beiler, and others but we are referring to written sermons as they were delivered from the pulpit.

Apparently the constant use of even this worthy book of Wynantz was wearing off with time in our church. The book we have in hand here is owned by Amos L. Fisher, Bird-in-Hand, Pennsylvania. The code numbers at the top of the title page tell us it was placed in a library for a time and may have been through a book auction. We also note that Jonas Coblentz (no address) was a former owner. Another thing we notice is that a former owner probably did not approve to some of the answers to the Meidung issue as some lines are blotted out and even whole pages are crossed out. This is a sore disgrace to the writer because this part of the book proves to us that our church of America in general is one of the few who propose to teach and practice this particular fundamental as prescribed by Menno Simons.

Now back to the title page again, we will note that David Zug translated the sermons as is quoted in the "Vorbericht." "Weil ich aber Kein gelechter Schreiber bin, so musz man nicht erwarten das darin ein hoher styl vorkommt, sondern ein redensart die bey den Bauern und Handwerksleuten Meistens gebrauchlich ist, und in einem solchen styl sind sie auch ursprünglich geschrieben." This goes to say that his part of translating the sermons was meant to be done in a humble way and not in a professional manner, that his efforts were ascribed to the common people of the farmer and workman class, also because he felt that the original writing had been of such a style. Where the Johann Fitger work comes in, we are not sure, but the first edition was printed by John Baer of Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

We also gather from the "Vorrede" that Wilhelm Wynantz wrote fifty-eight of his sermons on "doppelt papier" or in modern terms would say he made a duplicate copy. He goes on to say: "Dieses haben wir getan nach der Rath Christi an seinen jünger, namlich sie zusammen in ein korb oder buch gesammelt, auf dasz sie durch nachläszichkeit nicht vorloren, sondern zum nützen und verteil vieler menchen. Also lehret uns Sirach, dasz es ein löblichen werk sey, wer die gabe hat seinen nachkommen einige erbauliche schriften nachzulassen." One of these sermons, however was by Barend Roelofsz, also a preacher of Hamberg, written by Wynantz by memory.

The David Zug translation contains only ten of these sermons, the last one by Roelofsz. We will try to give them in order as they are printed in our book.

Die erste predigt - ueber die epistle an die Ebräer Cap. 13, verse 14.
Die zweyte predigt - aus der epistle Jacobi Cap. 5, verse 16.
Die dritte predigt - Evangelium St. Luca Cap. 6, verse 36 bis 38.
Die vierte predigt - über Evangelium St.Marci Cap. 8, 34.
Die fünfte predigt - über Evangelium St. Marci Cap. 8, 34 zweyte predigt.
Die sechste predigt - St. Marci Cap. 8, 14 dritte predigt.
Die siebente predigt - über St. Pauli an die Epheser Cap. 4, 1 und 2.
Die achte predigt - über die epistle an die Epheser Cap. 5, 14.
Die neunte predigt - über die epistle St. Petri Cap. 1, 22.
Die zehnte predigt - über Psalm 50, 15.

Antwort auf einige Fragen

Die erste frage - Ob die absonderung ein gebot Gottes, oder ein rath Gottes sey?

Die zweyte frage - Wenn jemand diesem bann nicht halten wollte, und doch anders fromm wäre, ob er auch deswegen sollte gebannet seyn?

Die dritte frage - Ob auch eheleute einander des bannes halben, meiden sollen; auch eltern und kinder?

Die vierte frage - Ob wir auch den gebannten mit einegerley weltlichem grusz begrüszen, und mit einiger ehrebietung auf seinen grusz begegnen mögen?

Die fünfte frage - Ob man auch dem gebannten einige nothwendige dienste, nothwendige liebe und barmhertzigkeit beweisen mag?

Die sechste frage - Ob man auch mit den abfälligen kaufen und verkaufen mag?

Die siebente frage - Ob wir auch mit einem abfälligen in einem und demselben schiff sitzen, oder einem wagen fahren, oder an einen tafel in dem wirthshause essen magen?

Die achte frage - Wer diejenigen sind die man nach der schrift absondern und in den bann thun soll?

Wilhelm Wynantz

We have nothing definite as to where he was born, but that he was of Dutch descent is almost certain. He was born March 28, 1630 at Altona, Germany, died there in 1658, a son of Pieter Wynands and Perina Noe.[3] From the "Vorrede" of our book we read, "den es gefiel

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[1] Mennonite Piety, p. 247

[2] The Jacob Denner sermons were attempted to be translated in 1901 but the undertaking of having them printed failed due to lack of subscribers and funds. See note #2

[3] See note #1

dem allmächtigen Gott ihm auf den 21sten December Anno 1658 durch den natürlichen tod von uns zu nehmen. Nachdem er durch Gottes gnade der gemeine zu Hamburg, welche man die verienigte Flanders, Hochdeuche und Friesen nennt. Von welchen er am 17ten Juni 1655 in dem 25sten jahr seines alters durch eine allgemeine stimmung nach verhergegangenen feurigen gebat zu Gott einmüthiglich und gesetzlich zu einem diener des Gottlichen Worts erwählet und berufet wurde, und mit dem worte des Herrn in groszem eifer, die ziet von drei jahren und secks monaten bedienet hat." Here Robert Friedman affirms our statement by saying that he was an emotional preacher with good common sense. The reason for his untimely death (28 years old) we cannot say. That he was not ordained by lot but rather by majority vote of the church is certain while this was the custom in the lowland or Holland Mennonite church even this early as well as in later years. The Amish church of Holland has practised this way of ordaining ministers or deacons in the era of 1780.[1]

The Mennonite Church of Hamburg

We feel this article would not be complete without a brief sketch of the church of the author of these sermons. For this we will turn to the writing of John Horsh and the Mennonite encyclopedia which gives four full pages (639-643) in volumn II of Altona-Hamburg Mennonite history.

Like her sister churches of Germany and Switzerland the Hamburg congregation had its struggles from infancy. As early as 1555 the authorities of this Lutheran city passed measures designed to keep Menno out of the city and their territories. The settlement of a few families in the city by 1575 was possible only because they energetically assured the clergy that they had no connections with the Münsterite Anabaptists. Their ability as merchants also made them desirable citizens. In 1605 an agreement was drawn with the 130 Dutch immigrant families. They were obligated to keep quiet, to pay taxes, but without an oath of citizenship. In run of time their biggest struggle was perhaps within itself, as it is well known that anabaptism was tolerated much earlier here than in the highlands of Germany and Switzerland. The Mennonites of Hamburg were extremely industrious, their achievements in cultural manners were significent, whereby they gained a great financial strength. They were skilled in various crafts of worthy note and also in trading operations. Retail trade was promoted and they had extensive overseas trade. Certain families were prominent in the whaling industry which required a venturesome spirit. Their weaving of wool was unsurpassed and they even furnished cloth for high people of the court. Imported hides were tanned in their own tanneries. Jacob Denner was a dyer, his church was sometimes called the "Blaufarberkirche." Unlike their sister churches they were not confined to agriculture.

For a time discipline was strictly observed. Marriages outside of the brotherhood was punished by the ban. In 1702 this practise was discontinued. Since it was illegal in Hamburg for the Mennonite ministers to perform marriages, the Mennonites went to Altona for such service. In 1753 the regulation was passed that the Mennonites must, before marriage secure a state certificate for 1.50 talers.

David Zug

We regret the fact that we cannot write more of the family lineage of David Zug (Zook). Perhaps some of the valley brethren could give a full account of when or where he was born. We suppose he was of a frontier family of the Big Valley, in my mind most likely born in Chester County, Pennsylvania. We cannot be sure if he was a minister or not but at any rate he must have had a deep spiritual interest in the church, perhaps being an unusually gifted person, capable of reading the Hollander Sprache which, we surmise, was unusual for the time. We find very little Hollandish literature among collections of the early Swiss-German settlers of Eastern Pennsylvania and we doubt if more than a minority could read it, let alone translate it. Then, too we must consider that this man, Johann Fitger may have had a hand in it.

David Zug lived in Union Township, Mifflin County, Pennsylvania at the time of his writing. He was the father of Saul Levi Zook (see 1970 Diary pages 128 and 152). He was also a full brother to "Long" Christian Zook, a bishop in the valley, and a half brother to Shem Zook, a noted writer of his time.

In 1849 Shem published a German edition of the Martyr's Mirror printed by King and Baird of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Besides this he wrote several booklets of the Amish in the valley also a few articles to books and periodicals of the same nature. Shem was the youngest (1798-1880) son of John (1748-1804) and Fannie (Yoder) Zook.

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[1] Ein alter Brief, printed for John D. Hochstetler, 1926 p 21.

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Swartzentruber, Amanda, wife of Sam J.S., 88, of Dalton R2, Ohio
died Friday night, February 19 at her home. She is survived by her husband; three daus, Mrs. Eli D.A. Hershberger and Mrs. Mahlon Gingerich of Apple Creek R2 and Mrs. Sam P. Hershberger of Navarre R2; three sons, Jonas of Navarre RD, Levi of the home and Eli of Apple Creek R2. Burial was in Yoder Cemetery on the family farm.

Wengerd, Levi I., 83, of Apple Creek, Ohio
died Feb. 11 at the home of a dau, Mrs. John D.C. Miller following a long illness. His wife, the former Mary Weaver died last month. Surviving are 3 daus and 5 sons; 2 brothers, a sister; 27 grand children and 20 great-grandchildren. Burial was in Yoder Cemetery.

ABSTRACTS FROM LANCASTER NEWSPAPERS, 1870-1871

Continued from last month

The Weather

The Mild Weather

This January of 1870 ought long to be remembered as the mildest ever known in this latitude. We have had sunshine as bright as that of June, and breezes as balmy as those of May. The ladies have discarded furs, and have strolled through the streets in costumes almost as light as those of summer; the merry children have gamboled on the green instead of skating or driving their sleds down the ice clad hills, and we have sat with doors and windows open, inhaling the soft air that came creeping lazily up from the sunny South. The thermometer has ranged as high as sixty degrees above zero in the shade in the very middle of winter. Perhaps such a remarkable spell of weather was never known in this latitude in the month of Jan.

Yet people are not satisfied with the glorious sunshine and the delightful temperature which has prevailed.--There has been no little grumbling about it. City folks declare it is unhealthy, and the farmers insist that the grain is being injured by it. The harvesters of ice are in despair, and the lumbermen are unable to get the logs hauled. An exchange says that a foot of snow in the pine forests of Maine and New Hampshire just now would be worth $30,000,000, or $2,500,000 an inch, so great are the pecuniary interests involved. The lumbermen of our own State are complaining loudly, and Lancaster County is interested to some considerable extent in this matter. If we should have no snow, the rafting season would neccessarily prove to be a very dull one, those who make money as pilots and laborers would fail to make money, the mill-owners would be affected, and the price of lumber would advance materially.

It is too early, however, for any one to despair. The chances are that we shall have plenty of ice and snow. A long cold spell may follow the balmy weather which we have been enjoying and we may have frost and snow yet in May. Let us take the goods that God provides with hope that we shall not be made to pay during a long cold spring for pleasures we have been enjoying so much.

An Open Winter -- The canals and rivers are all open in Eastern Pennsylvania. There has been thus far no ice sufficiently thick to cut, and no skating of any consequence this winter.

Ice -- The prospects of having a large supply of ice during the summer months, are not at present very flattering. We presume owing to indications of the season, that those having ice houses, will have to take advantage of the first freeze to secure a supply. Strange as it may seem Lancaster is at present supplied with Boston ice that was put up during last winter.

Artificial Ice

The New York ice dealers, whose customary sources of supply have failed thus far this winter, are anxiously casting about to see where the next summer's stock is to come from, and are apprehensive that they will have to resort to Canada for the indispensable crystaline. Scouts have been sent out by the different companies to ascertain the exact consition of all ponds in Northern New York and New England, from which a supply can economically be drawn. It is hoped that a recourse to British-America may be avoided. Should the present cold weather continue the problem would be easily solved. It may be supposed by many that a recourse can always be had to the manufacture of artificial ice, in case of need. The expense of manufacturing artificial ice, however, is very great. The first cost in Paris of a new patent Carre machine of the description used in New Orleans would be $25,000 in gold. This would prepare but twelve tons of soft ice a day. Its maximum of hard ice would be but eight tons. The luxury would prove altogether too expensive for general use. Those who prepare it in New Orleans give $20 a ton as the cost, and sell it at $40.

Breaking up of the Ice in the Susquehanna: The Columbia Herald of today says: The mild weather of Friday and Saturday last, followed by the rain on Sunday, raised the river about twelve inches, and weakened the ice so that it broke on Tuesday morning below the Pier, Moving down some fifty feet, and leaving an opening nearly all the way across the river. By 10 o'clock the pressure from above had forced a channel, and all the ice outside of the Pier for two-thirds of the distance across, was moving. At three o'clock, the ice was all loose from the shores and moving. Unless it dams up below, the river will be clear in a day or two. The breaking up of the ice always produces much anxiety in the minds of those living along its shores, and particularly in the minds of those having lumber or other property on its banks or wharves. If the ice dams up, it produces a flood, the river rising twenty or thirty inches per hour, until the ice gives way, and then falls in about the same time. During these ice floods, the ice, which covers the surface, gets to running in different directions, and is driven into piles from ten to fifty feet in height when the current is directed towards the shore, an island, or a rock; and sometimes lodges on the bottom of the river and forms an iceberg of respectable dimensions. A few years ago one of these lodgements was made just below the dam, which was estimated by an engineer with an instrument to be 250 feet long, 50 feet high, and to contain 50,000 tons.

Snow Storms: Apropos of the snow storm today the following is of interest: A snow storm in the United States at the end of the year 1866 extended over a district of fifteen hundred miles in width, the average depth of the snow being one foot. The weight was estimated at five tons to the acre, or thirty-two hundred tons to the square mile, or a grand total of 1,410,000,000 tons of snow, which is ten times the weight of all the wheat grown in the United States since the discovery of America; and this vast weight of snowfall in one storm from one great cloud, and within a period of only days.

The season has been very favorable for stripping tobacco, and it is now all stripped in this neighborhood and ready for sale. There has been some sold already, and at very fair prices. If the prices keep up to the present mark, there will be a very large breadth planted the coming season.

Household, Grain, and Tobacco Markets

Lancaster Household Market, Saturday, January 8

Butter per pound	45¢	Turnips per ½ peck	5@8¢
Lard per pound	18@20¢	Onions per ½ peck	18@20¢
Eggs per dozen	28@30¢	Apples per ½ peck	10@15¢
Beef by the quarter, front	10@11¢	Chestnuts, per quart	12¢
Beef by the quarter, hind	12@13¢	Winter Beans, per quart	10¢
Pork by the quarter	15@17¢	Buckwheat Flour, per quarter	1.20@1.50
Chickens, (live) per pair	65@70¢	Cabbage, per head	5@8¢
Chickens, (cleaned) per pair	90@1.00	New Corn, per bushel	90¢
Veal Cutlets, per pound	17@18¢	Oats, per bag	1.50@1.75
Lamb Cutlets, per pound	17@18¢	Turkeys, per piece	1.25@2.75
Sausages, per pound	25¢	Geese, per piece	75@85¢
Beef cuts, per pound	14@20¢	Ducks, per pair	1.00
Pork Steak, per pound	20¢	Apple Butter, per pint	20@25¢
Potatoes per bushel	50@60¢	Apple Butter, per crock	1.25@1.50
Potatoes per ½ peck	10¢	Cider, per barrel	4.50@5.50
Sweet Potatoes per ½ peck	25¢	Cider, per gallon	15¢

The Tobacco Market

After diligent inquiry we are unable to quote any price for new Pennsylvania seed. No part of the crop has, as yet, been brought into this market, and commission merchants and buyers here steadily refuse to name a price for it, except it may be for extra lots, which they may wish to put up for their own consumption. The reason appears to be that the views of buyers and sellers are very wide apart, and it is too soon after the commencement of the year for them to have come together. Our farmers are naturally expecting similar prices to those they received a year ago, while buyers expect lower prices to prevail. They estimated that twenty thousand cases of old seed tobacco were on hand January 1st, 1870, of which two thousand cases were Pennsylvania seed. The new crop of 1869 is estimated at eighty-five thousand cases, of which fifteen thousand cases are Pennsylvania seed, nearly all of which is grown in Lancaster county. This makes a total of 105,000 cases now on hand, which is about twenty-five thousand cases more than the estimated stock on hand January 1st, 1869. This fact will have controlling influence on the further course of prices; in connection with the unsettled state of financial matters, it serves to make buyers very cautious. The condition of the crop in this county is believed to be fair; it is thought that there is a larger proportion of it than last year, of extra quality.

Market Tax on Farmers -- The decision of Commissioner Delano that farmers, excepting those who only sell at market occasionally, are required to take Retail Traders' license is exciting much discussion and discontent among agriculturalists in all sections of our county.

Lancaster Grain Market, Monday, February 6, 1871,--The Flour and Grain market is quiet:

Family Flour per bbl	$6.75	Rye per bus	95
Extra Flour per bbl	5.75	Corn per bus	70
Superfine Flour per bbl	4.50	Oats per bus	50
White Wheat per bus	1.50	Whiskey per gal	93
Red Wheat per bus	1.40		

Christiana Grain Market, February 7

Wheat of 1870	$1.10@ 1.30 as to quality		
Prime Old Wheat	1.35	Corn	70
Oats	52	Rye	85
Cloverseed	6.50@7.00		

Real Estate Market--The Mariettian says at the recent sale of the Sultzbach property the following prices were obtained: The 52 acre tract to James Duffy, at $157 per acre; the the 18 acre tract to the same, at $220; the brick dwelling and tannery to Henry L. Stultzbach, for $3,875; the barn and one acre to the same for $780; the frame dwelling, adjourning the High school building, for $600, to John Sultzbach.

Mr. Michael Drabenstadt sold his house on East Main Street, Mount Joy, adjoining Marsh, Grier & Co.'s works to Abraham Wolgamuth for $1150.00.

Cyrus Brinton has sold his farm of 68 acres, in Sadsbury township, to William P. Brinton, for $125 per acre.

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settlement in Somerset County which was started in 1767, and within about two decades three geographically distinct Amish communities were in existence in this area. There were the Conemaugh congregation in the northernmost section of the county, the "Glades" congregation farther south, and the Casselman Creek community still farther south, near the Pennsylvania-Maryland line.[10] Of these three the latter group, now known as the "Yoder District, Meyersdale, Pa., Church." is the only survivor. It is currently a single congregation of some 200 members,[11] which would indicate a community of from 500 to 600 inhabitants. It is the second oldest and third largest Amish community in the state at the present time. All three of these early Somerset settlements generously contributed members to newly established Amish communities in Ohio and the Middle West.[12] The northern Somerset community included an individual who is one of the few Amishmen to have his name embodied in the cultural geography of the United States. The city of Johnstown was in a sense founded by Joseph Schantz (soon Anglicized to Johns), an Amishman who owned land where the downtown business section of Johnstown now stands, and who deposited a charter with county officials in which a town was laid out with land donated by him for streets, public buildings, a burial ground, and a community commons.[13] Thus a man belonging to a religious sect strictly committed to a rural way of life chose the site of, provided for, and initiated the early development of one of Pennsylvania's largest cities.

Amish settlement in Mifflin County began in the early 1790's. This group grew steadily in size and also contributed heavily by emigration to Amish communities elsewhere.[14] Almost as early, probably in the early nineteenth century, Amish families from southeastern Pennsylvania settled in the Juniata River valley near present McVeytown, across Jacks Mountain marking the southern boundary of "Big (Kishacoquillas) Valley." The Amish congregations here came to be known as the "River Church." Though only a few miles distant from the larger body of Amish people in Kishacoquillas Valley, the trip over the mountain with team or wagon was difficult and time-consuming. This impediment to intercommunity communication and visitation may have contributed to the failure of the river group as a separate community. It lost members both by deaths and emigration, with remaining individuals joining the Mattawana Amish Mennonite Church built at the same place in 1871. The Amish church had an estimated membership of 29 in 1850, and the Amish Mennonite Church had 79 members in 1900, according to a local resident.[15] The Amish congregation at this location is now extinct, excepting in memory. Meanwhile the Big Valley Amish have increased from one church to eight church districts, which currently have a total reported membership of over 600. It is now and for some years has been the second largest Amish community in the Commonwealth.[16]

The date of origin of the nineteenth-century Amish community in Juniata County is unknown to the writer, but it may have been as early as the first decade of the nineteenth century. In 1850 there were two organized churches, one in Lost Creek Valley, and one in Tuscarora (Creek) Valley, respectively north and south of the Juniata River in the vicinity of Mifflintown. In an Amish census for 1850, taken in 1900 and based upon the memory of Amish oldtimers who claimed ability to remember back to 1850, it was estimated that there were 85 members in these two churches at mid-century. In 1900 one member of the church was listed for Tuscarora Valley and none for Lost Creek Valley. In 1950 Dr. John A. Hostetler and the writer found several former farmer-neighbors of the Amish who could vaguely remember this Amish colony which apparently was abandoned in the late 1880's or early 1890's. It became extinct by deaths or by the removal of Amish families to Nebraska, adjoining Mifflin County in Pennsylvania, and elsewhere.[17] Several small old cemeteries north and west of Mifflintown have many weathered tombstones on which characteristic Amish first names and surnames can be distinguished. Joseph W. Yoder has given an interesting picture of Amish life in Lost Creek Valley during the later years of the communities existence.[18] It was the Lost Creek Valley community to which Rosanna and her mother moved from Halfmoon Valley in Centre County, and from which she and her parents later moved to Big Valley in Mifflin County.

Another Amish community that also failed in the late nineteenth century was the Buffalo Valley congregation, located in Union County a few miles east of Mifflinburg and west of Lewisburg. This congregation-community began in the 1830's and survived for some five decades. becoming extinct in the 1880's. Of all the former but now extinct communities in the history of Amish settlement in the United States, this is the best documented one in the literature of Mennonitism. Its church history, as well as the life and customs of its inhabitants, have been discussed in detail by Professor John Umble of Goshen College. Professor Umble's parents were members of this community.[19]

Some sixty miles west of the Union County group and a half century earlier in time there existed during approximately the first forty years of the last century a small Amish community in Halfmoon Valley, twelve miles northwest of State College in Centre County. The Amish farms were near the present village of Stormstown. A small Amish cemetery (on the farm of Mr. Clarence Beck, R.F.D., Warriors Mark, Pa.) survives as evidence of the former community's existence.. On Mr. Beck's farm there is also an old house which is said to have removable partitions between the rooms. It is reasonable to assume that it was occupied, and possibly built, by an Amish family, for this was an Amish practice by which the downstairs rooms of a house were connected with each other to facilitate worship services in the home.[20] Dr. John A. Hostetler, himself of Amish derivation, has found well-known Amish surnames in the Centre Co. Courthouse records at Bellefonte which pertain to this group and which extend from 1804 to 1840.[21] These dates of deeds, sales of property, etc., probably approximately limit the period of Amish occupancy to Halfmoon Valley. Rosanna of Rosanna of the Amish was born in this valley, from which she migrated with her foster mother to Lost Creek Valley toward the middle years of the past century. This family was among the last to abandon the unsuccessful settlement.

In still another area of the state, memory of two other now-extinct Amish communities has been brought to light by recent field work among surviving Amish and non-Amish residents of the region. During the depression years of the 1930's an Old Order Amish community of from 20 to perhaps 30 or even 40 families was located near Spartansburg in northeastern Crawford County. The community began in the early 1930's by families migrating from Ohio, and it ended in the late 1930's by most families returning to their areas of origin. This community, according to present non-Amish residents of the area (visited by the writer in the summer of 1951), expired largely as a victim of the depression. It is quite clear that certain personality conflicts among its residents also contributed to its failure as a functioning group.[22] There was also during the same decade a short-lived small Amish community of five families and one adult, consisting of 24 persons in all, only 12 of whom were adult members of the church, located at Bear Lake in northwestern Warren County. All but one of the members of this community were relatives, which illustrates the kinship principle that has been so important as a factor in the genesis and growth of new Amish communities in the United States. A bishop (interviewed by the writer in Mercer County in 1952) led this group, which was a worshiping congregation for only ten of the fifteen months of its existence. The small group was troubled by physical illness, as well as lonesomeness and homesickness, and after two winters and an intervening summer they abandoned their farms and returned to Ohio from which they had come in the first place. In addition to the psychological factors, inability to market crops and to pay for their farms during and due to the depression caused the failure of this venture. It is certainly one of the smallest and most temporary colonies in the 250 years of Amish settlement in America.[23]

The final instance of failure successfully to maintain Amish congregational community life known to the writer is a small group that began several years ago and exists only as a non-congregational remnant at the present time. In August, 1949, a group of three families, two of whose heads were Old Order Amish church officials in the Enon Valley congregation in Lawrence County, moved to Brush Valley in Centre County, several miles northeast of Centre Hall. The colony never thrived and was joined by less than half-dozen other families. The deacon died and the preacher returned to Enon Valley; several other families also removed. In November, 1954, three families remained, occupying four small farms on the edge of the valley overhung by Brush Mountain. As a community it now exists as a thin shadow of the small group it once was; as a congregation it became extinct with the loss of its two church officials who have never been replaced.[24]

All recent attempts of the Amish to start new communities have not failed, however. Contrary to the experience of the recent Centre County group, two other Amish communities started in the state within the past five years, are growing and seem to be firmly established, at least prospectively, as functioning groups. These are the Amish community in Snyder County, four miles west of Selinsgrove, and a new group which recently located in Juniata County, near Mifflintown--in the very area where the nineteenth-century Lost Creek Valley community met defeat some 60 to 70 years ago.

Three of the ten Amish communities now in existence in Pennsylvania (those in Lancaster, Somerset, and Mifflin counties) have had a continuous history from the eighteenth century. These three are the largest and most solidly established Amish communities in the Commonwealth at the present time. Two more were established in the nineteenth century (New Wilmington and Enon Valley, both in Lawrence County), one of which has been a steadily growing group. The remaining five have come into existence since 1924.[25] Seven of the ten have been established since 1800, which would contradict the assertion found in a recent article that "After 1800 few new (Amish)communities were established in Pennsylvania."[26] Seven may not be more than "few," but it is more than half of the total surviving group.

It is thus seen that there are more extinct Amish communities in the history of the state than there are successfully surviving ones. The majority of the unsuccessful communities were small ones which lasted less than half a century. We observe that in Amish community life the larger the group is and the longer it lasts, the stronger and less susceptible to failure it comes to be. Size and age of the community present themselves as a kind of insurance against Amish community decline and death. In Pennsylvania, at least, if an Amish community can survive its first half-century, it seems to develop a degree of immunity to failure. However, insurance is not assurance, of course, that a community may not ultimately fail.

In spite of the fifteen failures[27] of the Amish sucessfully to colonize in Pennsylvania, one should resist entertaining the impression that the Amish type of sectarian Pennsylvania German culture is marked by debility and carries the germs of its own decay and death. It has been recently stated that there are now more Amish communities, more Amish churches, and more individual members of Amish churches and communities than ever before in the history of the sect in this state.[28] The same is true of all other states in which the Amish are represented in appreciable numbers.[29] The Old Order Amish way of life is changing, and undoubtly with increasing rapidity. But their numbers are also steadily increasing, and there are currently certainly no signs of decrease in the rate if increase of the group.

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2 "The Number of Amish in Pennsylvania," 'S Dietsch Eck, June 26, 1954, reprinted in the January, 1955 issue of the Mennonite Historical Bulletin (hereinafter referred to as MHB).

3 Primary sources for five of the six early southeastern Pennsylvania settlements have been used by Grant M. Stoltzfus in History of the First Amish Mennonite Communities in America, master's thesis in history, University of Pittsburgh, 1954. This thesis is the basis of an article by Stoltzfus in MQR (October, 1954), 28:235-62. Secondary references to these settlements include C. Henry Smith, The Mennonite Immigration to Pennsylvania in the Eighteenth Century, Pennsylvania German Society, Vol. 35 (Norristown, 1929) ch. 8, "The Amish," 222-58; Smith, The Mennonites of America (Goshen, 1909), ch. 8, "The Amish," Smith, The Story of the Mennonites (Berne, 1945), 554-56; C. G. Bachman, The Old Order Amish of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania German Society, Vol. 49 (Norristown, 1942), 51-59; and C. Z. Mast, Annals of the Conestoga Valley (Elverson, 1942), ch. 17, "Earliest Amish Settlements in America," 92-98.

4 For the Northkill settlement see Stoltzfus thesis, 46-54; Stoltzfus, MQR, 28:237-42; Smith (1909), 212; Smith (1929), 228-29 and 240-41; Smith (1945), 555-56; Bachman, 57; and Mast, 92-93. For the Indian massacre of 1757, known in Mennonite history as the "Hostetler massacre," see Harvey Hostetler, Descendants of Jacob Hochstetler, "Historical Introduction" by William F. Hochstetler (Elgin, 1912); also Harvey Hostetler, Descendants of Barbara Hochstedler and Christian Stutzman, "Historical Introduction" by William F. Hochstetler (Scottdale, 1938), 10-35. Although these excellent genealogies, together containing some 25,000 family entries, deal largely with family history, their historical introductions discuss the early settlement history of the Amish in Pennsylvania, especially with reference to their plight during the French and Indian War. C. K. Hostetler, "The Hostetler Indian Story," Christian Monitor (Scottdale, 1922), 14:433-35, is an interestingly written and essentially accurate "old settler" type of story of this event in Amish annals.

5 For the distinction to be made between "community," "church," and "congregation" in Amish history see Mook, 'S Deitsch Eck, June 26, 1954; also MHB (January, 1955), 16:2-3.

6 For these three early settlements see Stoltzfus thesis, 55-59; Stoltzfus, MQR, 28:242-45; Smith (1909), 212-13; Smith (1929), 240-41; Mast, 95-96; and Bachman, 57. To these should be added Samuel W. Peachey, Amish of Kishacoquillas Valley, Mifflin County, Pa. (Scottdale, 1930). In spite of the title of this privately printed 48-page booklet by a Big Valley (Mifflin County) Amish minister, more than half of it deals with the historical background of the Mifflin County Amish in Europe and in southeastern Pennsylvania. Ch. 2, 19-26, mentions the Oley, Maiden Creek, Tulpehocken, Northkill, and Conestoga "congregations," with special reference to the Maiden Creek group. A few of this untrained historian's facts need correction. Attention should be called also to the Mennonite Cyclopedic Dictionary (hereafter cited as MCD), edited by Daniel Kauffman (Scottdale, 1937), the articles "Oley Valley," "Maiden Creek Congregation," and "Tulpehocken Settlement." Stoltzfus does not recognize the early Oley settlement as a community. It was possibly the earliest, and probably the smallest, attempt at Amish settlement. Most accounts emphasize its small size and its temporary and transitional nature. The MCD article ("Oley Valley," 275-76), however, presents a different point of view, stating that "It is here that the first Amish Mennonite settlement in America was made," implying that it was in existence from at least 1736 to 1749 and perhaps longer, and claiming that "there are thousands of descendants of these pioneer settlers in other congregations and communities" in the United States. Oley resident families mentioned are Beiler, Fischer, Hertzler, Kauffman, and Plank. These are all typical early American Amish surnames. For such typical family names see Bender, The Mennonite Encyclopedia (1955), 1:97.

7 For the Chester County community see Stoltzfus thesis, 60-67; Stoltzfus, MQR, 28:245-51; Smith (1909), 213; (1929), 241-44; Bachman, 57-58; Dorothy B. Lapp, "Union Hall," Chester County Collections (West Chester, October, 1936), 16:497-98; and M. A. Mook, "An Early Amish Colony in Chester County, Pennsylvania," MHB (July, 1955), 16:1-3. There is a complete set of photographs of this meetinghouse (as it stood in ruins in the 1930's) and of the cemetery and of Amish tombstones (as they exist today) on file in the Mennonite Historical Library at Goshen College. Miss Lapp describes the Amish meetinghouse near Malvern and traces its history. MCD ("Chester Valley," 55-56) makes an interesting comment, unique in Mennonite literature, concerning the Malvern meetinghouse. The article apparently based on editor Daniel Kauffman's wide and intimate acquaintance with Amish and Mennonite communities, claims that after the Malvern Amish community became extinct "members of the Old Order branch of the Amish who were opposed to worshipping in church houses, pointed to the abandoned Chester Valley Church as an object lesson warning the members that they should be content to have their public worship in private homes." For distinction between Old Order ("House") and New Order ("Church") Amish, based upon nineteenth-century liberal developments in the earlier undivided Amish group, see Bachman, 203-07 ("Schisms"); Smith (1909), 230-32; Smith (1945), 605-07 ("The Troubles of the Amish"); and MCD (1937), articles "Amish Mennonites," "Conservative Amish Mennonites," and "Old Order Amish Mennonites." Bender, "Amish Mennonites," Menn. Ency., 1:97, lists the "various schisms which broke the unity of the group;" see also A. J. Beachy, "Beachy Amish Churches," Ibid., 254. The latter article is reprinted in MHB (January, 1955), 16:3. John A. Hostetler discusses some of the issues leading to division in "Amish Problems at Diener-Versammlungen," Mennonite Life (October, 1949), 4:34-38, and the current Mennonite Yearbook and Directory name and locates the churches, lists the ministers, and estimates the membership in these two branches.

8 The Lancaster County Amish community has attracted more students than any other Amish settlement in America and is both historically and sociologically the best known group. Bachman's book (op. cit., 1942), based upon the author's long residence in the area, is a detailed description of a wide range of Amish

customs. Walter M. Kollmorgen's study (*Culture of a Contemporary Rural Community: The Old Order Amish of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania*, Rural Life Studies No. 4, U. S. Department of Agriculture, 1942), based upon field work among the group in 1940, is an able analysis of Amish economic and social life. It has been favorably received and has led to the recognition of the Amish as a worth-while object of study by anthropologists and sociologists. For appreciative reviews of Kollmorgen see Melvin Gingerich, *MQR* (July, 1943), 17: 172-74; A. D. Graeff, *'S Deitsch Eck*, March 12, 1948; and J. W. Yoder, *The Historical Review of Berks County* (April, 1943), 8:89-90. Kollmorgen's data have been used in John Gillen, *The Ways of Men: An Introduction to Anthropology*(New York, 1948), 209-20; M. F. Nimkoff, *Marriage and the Family* (New York, 1947), 240-55; E. W. Burgess and H . J. Locke, *The Family* (New York, 1945), 79-91; C. P. Loomis and J. A. Beegle, *Rural Social Systems* (New York, 1950), 11-14, 341-42, 409-12, and 789-824; G. A. Lundberg, *et al.*, *Sociology* (New York, 1954), 170-83; and J. B. Gittler, *Social Dynamics* (New York, 1952), 110-29. In addition to the Stoltzfus thesis, at least two graduate theses have dealt with the Lancaster County Amish, viz.: E. Jane Miller, *The Origin, Development, and Trends of the Dress of the Plain People of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania* (M.A. thesis, Cornell University, Ithaca, 1943), and Jane C. Getz, *Religious Forces in the Economic and Social Life of the Old Order Amish in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania* (M.A. thesis, American University, Washington, 1945). The former discusses the religious basis of plain dress among the "plain church" people of Lancaster County, and includes consideration of Mennonite and Brethren groups, as well as the Amish. The latter thesis cogently argues that the agricultural practices and economic life of the Amish are foursquarely based upon their religious beliefs and principles. A chapter of this thesis was published as "The Economic Organization and Practice of the Old Order Amish of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania," *MQR* (January and April, 1946), 20: 53-80 and 98-127.

9 "The three largest settlements (of the Amish) in the United States are approximately equal in size and are located in Holmes and adjoining counties in east-central Ohio, in Elkhart and adjoining counties in northern Indiana, and in Lancaster County in southeastern Pennsylvania." John A. Hostetler, *Annotated Bibliography on the Amish* (Scottdale, 1951), Preface, ix. See also the editorial note, presumably by H. S. Bender, introducing the special Amish number of *MQR* (October, 1954), 28:34. Church membership data for these Old Order groups may be found in the *Mennonite Yearbook and Directory* for 1956. "Church Directory: Old Order Amish Mennonites." For the argument that church membership figures should be multiplied by three to arrive at an estimate of total community population, see Mook, *'S Deitsch Eck*, June 26, 1954, and Hostetler's article on the Old Order Amish Mennonites to appear in a forthcoming volume of the *Mennonite Encyclopedia*. For the Holmes County, Ohio, community see Ervin Gingerich, *Ohio Amish Directory* (privately published in typescript, Millersburg, Ohio, 1955). The author of this directory is deacon of the Sharp Run Old Order Amish Church district near Millersburg.

10 Somerset County Amish settlement history is briefly mentioned in Smith (1909), 214; (1929), 244-45; and (1945), 563. Additional data re given in Alta Schrock, "Amish Americans: Frontiersmen," *West. Penna. Hist. Mag.*, 26:47-58, especially 51-52. Still more detailed treatment is to be found in Alvin J. Beachy, "The Amish Settlement in Somerset County," *MQR* (October, 1954), 28:263-92, especially 264-83. The latter article is most authentic for the southernmost Somerset County settlement. A wealth of information pertaining to the history of the Conemaugh congregation, and also the Glades group, is in the notes of the late Ammon Kaufman of Davidsville, Pennsylvania. It is to be greatly hoped that Mr. Kaufman's notes may soon be made the basis of a published history of these groups. Mr. Kaufman's data will generously supplement and in some particulars correct such information as has yet seen print.

11 The 1956 *Mennonite Yearbook* lists 185 members (p. 82). This church district extends also into Garrett County, Maryland. This is the only Old Order ("House") group in Pennsylvania which worships in a "church house," a practice elsewhere, excepting for one Old Order congregation at Stuarts Draft, Virginia, restricted to the New Order or "Church" Amish. This permits the Meyersdale congregation to be the largest in the state, for the size of the worshiping group is not here limited by the size of the homes of the members. See *'S Deitsch Eck*, June 24, 1954, and *MHB* (January, 1955), 16:2-3.

12 Schrock, 52-53; Smith (1945), 578-80, "The Amish Move West;" and especially Beachy, *MQR*, 28:283-92, "Daughter Colonies of the Somerset County Amish."

13 Local historiams, civic leaders, and public officials recognize Joseph Johns as the founding father of Johnstown. For example, see Centennial Executive Committee, *History of the Centennial Celebration of Johnstown, Pa.* (Johnstown, 1900), 3-4,6. "Special Ordinance No. 977," passed by the Johnstown City, Council June 30, 1911, four times mentions Johns as the founder of the city. This ordinance is printed in John Meise, *Schantz and Johnstown* (Johnstown, Schantz Memorial Committee, 1913), pages unnumbered, but c. pp. 16-18. The Johnstown *Tribune-Democrat* in 1953 published a series of "100th Anniversary Documentary Editions" of the newspaper in which Johns was repeatedly referred to as the founder of the city (March 21, pp. 21 and 23; May 9, p. 11; Oct. 31, p. 22; Nov. 21, p. 24). For Johns as an Amishman see C. Z. Mast, "History of Veronica Holly and her husband Joseph Johns . . . the founder of Johnstown, Pa." in *A Brief History of Bishop Jacob Mast and Other Mast Pioneers* (Elverson, 1911), 716-22, and Mast, *Annals of the Conestoga Valley* (Elverson, 1942). ch. 43, "The Schantz (Johns) Family," 245-50. Other Mennonite historians similarly recognize the historical role of this Amishman: Schrock, 51; Smith (1945), 563; Beachy, 267. The most extensive treatment of Joseph Johns is to be found in Meise, *op. cit.* (a privately printed book of *c.* 175 unnumbered pages with parallel text in English and German), sections entitled "Das Schantz Denkmal," "Joseph Schantz und seine Nachkommen," and "Die Gründung von Johnstown." See also H. W. Storey, *History of Cambria County, Pennsylvania* (New York and Chicago, 1907), 1:79-90, and N. D. Schappee, *A History of Johnstown*, ch. 2 (Ph.D. thesis in history, University of Pittsburgh, 1940). This thesis was serially reprinted in the Johnstown *Tribune-Democrat* from September 7, 1940, through January 16, 1941. It is summarized by the author, with attention accorded Joseph Johns, in *University of Pittsburgh Bulletin* (January 15, 1941), 37:3. These fugitive materials have been summaized by the present writer in "The Amishman Who Founded a City," *Christian Living* (July, 1955), 4-7. An extensive series of photographs of Joseph Johns III, his descendants, and the family homestead and cemetery are on file at the Mennonite Publishing House Library at Scotdale.

14 Amish settlement history in Mifflin County is briefly summarized in H. F. James, "The Kishacoquillas Valley: A Study in Human Geography," The Bulletin of the Geographical Society of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (1930), 28:223-39. Divisions which developed in the Amish church in Mifflin County are discussed in J. W. Yoder, Rosanna's Boys (Huntingdon, 1948), ch. 1, "Big Valley," 1-20; S. W. Peachey, Amish of Kishacoquillas Valley, Mifflin County, Pa. (Scottdale, 1930), 27-43; and J. A. Hostetler, "The Life and Times of Samuel Yoder (1824-1884)," MQR (October, 1948), 22:226-41, especially 226-36. The latter author's graduate Thesis has a valuable appendix in which the cultural differences between present Mifflin County Amish churches are enumerated and a chart in which the date and church derivation of each division are indicated (The Amish Family in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, M.S. thesis in rural sociology, The Pennsylvania State College, 1951, Appendix 1, 251-61).

15 J. K. Hartzler, "Fifty Years in the Amish Mennonite Churches of Pennsylvania," Herald of Truth (Elkhart, June 1, 1902), 39:163; Celeste Keener, "Report of the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the Mattawana Church," Gospel Herald (Scottdale, January 27, 1948), 41:83; personal information obtained in November, 1954, from Ammon Kaufman, a descendant of Amish members of the early McVeytown congregation. Mr. Kaufman died in January, 1955. His extensive notes, diaries, and photographs should be safely preserved in a Mennonite library.

16 Mennonite Yearbook (1954), 87; Mook, 'S Deitsch Eck, June 26, 1954, and MHB, 16:1,3.

17 Hartzler, 163-64. This Mennonite historian, himself of Amish derivation and a long-time resident of the upper Juniata Valley, reports that "The Lost Creek brethren went principally to Nebraska where they started a church." Hostetler states that the Gosper County, Nebraska, Amish community was settled by families coming from both Mifflin and Juniata counties in Pennsylvania (MHB, 10:1-2). The Nebraska group began in 1880, which may thus approximately date the end of the Lost Creek Valley community.

18 Rosanna of the Amish (Huntingdon, 1940), 23-78. This interesting, accurate, and sympathetic account of the old-time Amish life is based upon the author's life as a boy and young man in the Big Valley Amish community. He is the son of Rosanna, the central figure of this life-historical ethnography. See also the same author's Rosanna's Boys (Huntingdon, 1948).

19 MQR (April and July, 1933), 7:71-96 and 162-90.

20 I have seen the Amish cemetery, but in several visits to Halfmoon Valley I have never been able to see the interior of the house reported by residents of the valley to have the removable partitions. For description of the interior of a typical Lancaster County Amish home with wide folding doors, lack of closets, etc., to provide downstairs space for worship services in the home, see Bachman, 71-78, "Amish Homes." Hostetler offers a diagram of the "First Floor of a Typical (Mifflin County) Amish House" and describes the "average house" with its furnishings in Big Valley (1951 thesis, 63-65, Figure 8, p. 64). He also provides an unusual series of full-page photographs of Big Valley Amish homesteads (Figures 4-12, between pages 55 and 84. He observes that "the first floor of a typical Amish house has double doors and removable partition between larger rooms, so that worship service can be entertained." He also advises me that whereas removable partitions are common among the Amish of the eastern states, they are less so in the Middle West.

21 "Amish in Centre County," The Pennsylvania Dutchman (Lancaster, March, 1950), 6.

22 M. A. Mook, "Crawford County Number Two: A Now Extinct Old Order Amish Community of the 1930's," Western Penna. Hist. Mag. (March, 1954), 37:33-45. When this article was written, several months prior to its publication, I suspected, but could not be sure, that personality factors had made for conflicts in this community failure. Since its publication, however, interviews with former Amish residents at Spartansburg, now residing in Ohio, have made it clear that internal conflicts also contributed to community failure.

23 The Bear Lake colony has been discussed as a case study in Amish community failure in "Crawford County No. 3," MHB (July, 1953), 14:6-8.

24 In a future issue of 'S Deitsch Eck the Amish venture in Brush Valley, will be reported in more detail by the present writer in "Two Amish Communities in Centre County, Pennsylvania."

25 The history of one of these is reviewed in "The Amish Community at Atlantic, Pennsylvania," MQR (October, 1954), 28:293-301. The Mercer County Amish community at Jackson Center, Pa., was begun in 1942 by the emigration of more than a dozen families from the Atlantic group (Ibid., 298-300).

26 MHB (April, 1948), 9:2.

27 These fifteen, in the order of their earlier mention in this article are: Northkill, Oley, Tuppehocken, Maiden Creek, Malvern, the Glades, Conemaugh, McVeytown, Lost Creek Valley, Tuscarora Valley, Buffalo Valley, Halfmoon Valley, Spartansburg, Bear Lake, and Brush Valley.

28 "Defence of the Dutch--the Amish Dutch," 'S Deitsch Eck, May 15, 1954; The Budget, Sugarcreek, Ohio, July1, 1954, p.1; MQR (October, 1954), 28:296.

29 Although as yet unpublished, I have recently tabulated all Old Order Amish church membership redorded in the Mennonite Yearbook and Directory (Scottdale, annually since 1913), and reclassified them by geographic communities for the nineteen states now inhabited by Amish people. These tabulations support the foregoing assertion in the text.

Although the Yearbooks under their present editorship are more complete and accurate than ever before in the history of the publication of this invaluable compendium, it is important to note that the census of the Old Order church membership undoubtedly errs on the side of under enumeration. This fact, which is well known and an ever-present source of difficulty to the editor of the Yearbook, is due to the disinclination of many Old Order ministers to cooperate with a voluntary membership enumeration of any kind. For further comment upon this point, with a suggested corrective factor, see MHB (January, 1955), 16:3.

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Amish Church Aid Plan for hospital bills

The annual meeting was held at the Paul J. Stoltzfus home on Jan. 9, 1971 in the North Beaver Creek District. The meeting was opened by Shrist Speicher asking for silent prayer. The minutes were read by Eli P. Miller. The treasur John J. Lapp gave a financial report. There were 89 families helped with their hospital bills in the last year. Christ Speicher was re-elected chairman. Next meeting to be held at Levi A. King, Gap R2, in Jan., 1972

EXTINCT AMISH MENNONITE COMMUNITIES IN PENNSYLVANIA

Maurice A. Mook*

In an article published two years ago in which the ten present Old Order Amish communities in Pa. are identified and located,[2] the present writer stated that "No one knows how many times the Amish have unsuccesfully attempted to establish new communities . . . in the history of the Commonwealth." Subsequent research at the Mennonite Publishing House Library at Scottdale, Pennsylvania, has revealed evidence of more than a dozen former now-extinct Amish communities in the state. These unsucessful attempts of the Amish to establish colonies in Pennsylvania range in time from the early eighteenth century to the present year.

There are records of six attempts of the Amish to establish community life in southeastern Pennsylvania during the earliest years of their settlement in America.[3] Only one of these communities survives to the present day. One of their first colonies was the "Northkill" settlement, established in the late 1730's near the present town of Hamburg, in northern Berks County. This frontier community, located some distance north of other settlements in southeastern Pennsylvania, was near a gap in the Blue Mountain range. The geographical isolation of its location and its proximity to a break in the mountain barrier exposed it to the Indian raids of the frontier fringe during the French and Indian War. Also the nonresistant faith of its Amish inhabitants made it an easy victim of such attacks. Had it not been for the Indian raids it might be quite confidently assumed that the colony would have been a successful venture. It was the largest southeastern Pennsylvania Amish settlement at the time of the Indian Massacre of 1757, which is usually regarded as having softened its success and prepared it for ultimate failure as a living community. Some of the Northkill families surviving these depredations are known to have receded southward to locations nearer the older, less isolated, and less exposed English and German settlements in the southeastern corner of the state.[4]

There were several other small Amish local geographical groups south of Northkill during the middle years of the eighteenth century. I call them "geographical groups," for there seems to be little evidence, other than tradition (inacceptable as historical evidence without corroborating proof), that two or three of these were ever organized as congregations,[5] and it is uncertain as to whether these were sufficiently large or long-lasting to deserve the name "community." There were, however, during these early years, small groups of Amish families in the Oley area, along Tulpehocken Creek, and on Maiden Creek in Berks County.[6] There was also a larger group, formally organized as a congregation, near present Malvern, in eastern Chester County. The members of this community have the distinction of being the first Amish in America to build a "meeting house" for worship services, and its members also in other respects accepted "English" (non-Amish) ways. Today the group would be known as "Church" Amish, or "New Order," to distinguish it from more conservative congregations now commonly referred to as "House" or "Old Order" Amish. Characteristic Amish surmanes are still decipherable on old tombstones in a cemetery near Malvern, and the stone wall foundation of the meetinghouse are vaguely discernable to the present day.[7]

In addition to these five unsuccessful community ventures, in the middle years of the eighteenth century the Conestoga Valley congregation was established in the area the Amish still occupy in this portion of the state. This group grew in size and strength and developed into the thriving present Lancaster County Amish community.[8] From the time of its origin and throughout the history of the Commonwealth, it has been the largest, strongest, and most vital of all Pennsylvania Amish settlements. It is, indirectly at least, the "mother colony" of all other historic and present-day Amish communities in the state, and it has been, moreover, the source of settlement of many Amish communities in other states of the United States. It is no longer the largest Amish settlement in the United States, as some statements still claim, but it remains one of the three largest local groups, the other two being the community in Holmes and neighboring counties, in east-central Ohio, and the settlement centering in Elkhart County, in northern Indiana.[9]

Subsequent to the earliest southeastern settlements, the next congregations to be founded were three in present Somerset County, two of which are now extinct. The Amish joined the trans-Alleghenian westward movement, which resulted in a

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*Dr. Maurice A. Mook, Professor at Lycoming College at Williamsport, Pa. sent us this article for publication with the following quotation: "For the Editors of The Diary, cordially, from Maurice A. Mook with best wishes for the future of your interesting publication. 8/30/70."

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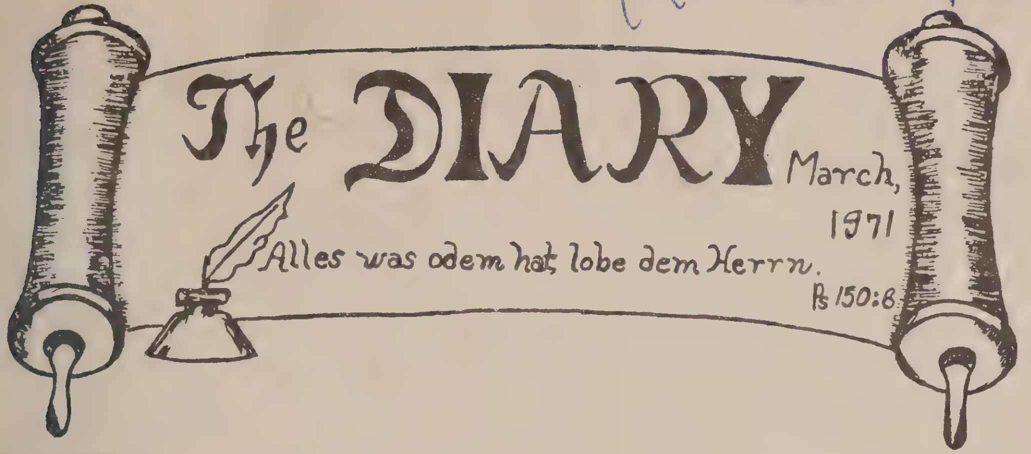

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RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIC PATIENT DIED IN FLORIDA

Mrs. Mary E., wife of Gideon L. Fisher, Ronks R1, Pennsylvania died March 12, 1971 in Orange Memorial Hospital, Orlando, Florida. She had been afflicted with rheumatoid arthritis for 34 years and most of the time suffered considerable pain. Every joint of her body had defects from the disease. In 1937 she made her first visit to a medical doctor for relief from arthritis pains. Since then she tried many different doctors, medicines, herbs, tonics, food supplements, drugs, and treatments of all kinds. In 1961 she suffered arthritis in her eyes, from which she went blind. But later cataracts developed and an operation was performed on both of her eyes and proved very successful. The last eleven years of her life she was unable to walk and was confined to the wheel chair. In those years she required attention much like a child, but she was able to feed herself and did fancy needle work. She designed and outlined many cushion tops for the Lancaster County folks. In the last four months of her life she developed respiratory trouble which made it difficult for her to breathe at times. She was anxious to try taking treatments at a clinic in Tavares, Florida, so on March 4 she and her husband started for Florida and arrived the next day to begin the treatments. After a few days her respiratory conditions became worse due to her arthritic condition and she was rushed to the Orange Memorial Hospital at Orlando, Flordia where she died twenty four hours later. (See obituary)

INDIANA BOY DIED FROM INJURIES

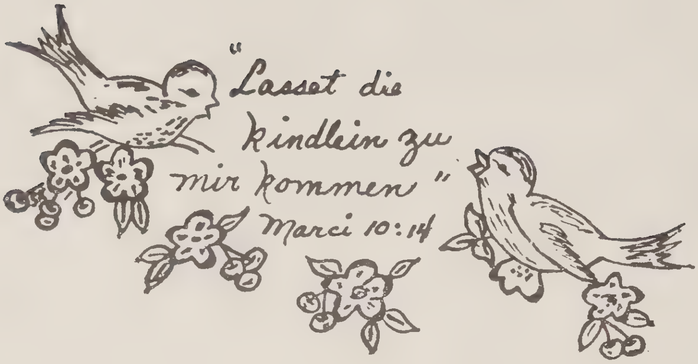
LeRoy Hochstetler Jr., 6, of Shipshewana R1, Indiana died Saturday evening, March 27 in the Sturgin Memorial Hospital from injuries suffered at 9:30 a.m. that morning, when he accidently fell under a horse in the barn of the family farm. He was born July 13, 1964 the son of LeRoy and Nettie (Schlabach) Hochstetler. Surviving with his parents are four brothers, Ervin Ray, Perry, LaVern, and Glen, and three sisters, Betty, Erma and Katie, all at home; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Slabach and Mrs. Pennola Hochstetler, all of route 2, Shipshewana. Funeral services were held by Bishop Clemens Miller; burial in East Barton Cem.

LANCASTER COUNTY, PA. FIRES

On Sunday evening, March 28 at 8 p.m. the Kinzers Fire Co. received a call to the home of John K. Stoltzfus, Vintage Road, Paradise R1, Pa. The home was heavily damaged despite the efforts of four fire companies. The family was not at home when the fire broke out. Fire was believed to have started in the kitchen. The house was all torn down except the wash house and a new one is being built.

On April 1 the double house of Aquilla E. Smucker and Solomon Wagler caught fire, which was caused by a chimney defect. Aquilla Smucker and wife Rachel had just left home about 10 minutes before the fire broke out, to go to the moving of Rachel's sister Barbara and husband Abner Glick of Georgetown. Solomon had gone to work at H. M. Stauffer's about one hour earlier. It was about 7:45 a.m. when Mrs. Sallie Wagler was in her kitchen making preparations to do some baking, when whe noticed smoke coming from around the stove pipe that lead to the chimney. Sallie was unaware that her house roof was then already on fire. About that time Elam Smoker a neighbor saw the blaze and ran to the Kauffman Packing house and phoned for fire companies to which four responded. The blaze was soon under control. The main house had very little damage except the siding on the east side had to be replaced. Wagler's residence was damaged to the extent that it took a new front side to the south and east, and an altogether new roof. Some contents were lost by fire and some ruined by water damage. The next day rebuilding started and by Saturday evening, April 3 the roof and siding were on.

Let us remember our bereaved ones in prayer.



BIRTHS

Johnson County, Iowa
Miller, Elmer and Clara a daughter LEANNA, March 15

Buchanan County, Iowa
Hershberger, Jonas Jr. (Emma Kauffman) Hazleton, a daughter MARY, March 5

Arthur, Illinois
Miller, Bennie S. (Susan Schrock) a daughter BETTIE, March 11
Schrock, Levi (Edna Mae Gingerich) a son RICHARD LEE, March 25

Somerset County, Pennsylvania
Fisher, Alvin G. (Anna Beiler) Salisbury R1, a son ALVIN JR., March 5

LaGrange County, Indiana
Bontrager, Amos (Polly Miller) LaGrange R4, a daughter ANNA MARIE, February 23
Frey, Daniel (LeEtta Bontrager) Topeka R2, a son JOE DEVON, March 19
Hershberger, Daniel (LeAnna Schlabach) Topeka R1, a daughter MARILYN, March 1
Hershberger, John (Mary Yoder) Topeka R1, a son BEN J., March 7
Kauffman, Allen (Lydianna Troyer) Shipshewana R1, a daughter CHRISTINA SUE, February 24
Lambright, Elva (Wilma Christner) Topeka R2, a daughter MARY E., March 3
Lehman, Lester (Mary Bontrager) Middlebury R1, a daughter CAROLYN L., March 2
Lehman, Wilbur (Lizzie E. Miller) Topeka R2, a son JAY DEE, March 12
Miller, Ammon J. (Alma D. Bontrager) Shipshewana R1, a son ELMER A., March 3
Miller, Andrew S. (Barbara Miller) LaGrange R4, a son LAVERN A., March 16
Miller, LeRoy (Mary Schlabach) Topeka R1, a daughter LENA KAY, March 15
Miller, Ora N. (Katie Bontrager) Millersburg R1, a daughter FANNIE IRENE, March 15
Miller, Ora S. (Susie Yoder) Topeka R2, a son HARLEY O., March 14
Miller, Perry (Elizabeth Miller) Topeka R1, a daughter EDNA MAE, February 26
Miller, Willard (LuElla Mast) LaGrange R1, a daughter RUTH ANN, March 26
Mullet, Melvin (Mary E. Bontrager) LaGrange R4, a son DENNIS DEVON, March 6
Schlabach, Roman (Katie Miller) Shipshewana R1, a son VERN, March 14
Troyer, John (Lydia Yoder) LaGrange R1, a son DAVID J., March 24
Troyer, Wayne (Erma Miller) Goshen R1, a son WAYNE JR., February 28
Yoder, Alvin (Esther Hochstetler) White Pigeon, a daughter KAY ELLEN, March 13
Yoder, Eli M. (Katie Mast) LaGrange R1, a son LESTER E., March 5
Yoder, Floyd (Anna Fay Graber) Shipshewana R1, a daughter ELIZABETH MAE, March 15
Yoder, Marvin (Mary Ellen Yoder) LaGrange R4, a daughter FANNIE IRENE, March 25
Yoder, Stanley (Mary Etta Chupp) Goshen R1, a son MARK EUGENE, March 15

St. Mary's County, Maryland
Byler, Henry (Lydiann Hostetler) Mechanicsville R2, a son MELVIN, March 13
Kurtz, Solly (Mary Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville R2, a son AMOS, March 16
Stoltzfus, Daniel (Sarah Lapp) Mechanicsville R2, a daughter MARY, March 22

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania
Kanagy, Samuel (Mary Peachey) Allensville, a son DAVID, March 23
Peachey, Jacob (Esther Byler) Belleville, a son JOHNNY, March 7
Peight, Daniel (Katie Yoder) Belleville, a daughter NANCY, March 25

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania
Smoker, Jacob B. (Rachel Stoltzfus) Myerstown R1, a daughter RUTH L., March 4
Stoltzfus, Isaac L. (Annie Stoltzfus) Myerstown R2, a son ISAAC, March 25

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania
Beiler, Jacob E. (Hannah K. Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1, a son CALVIN S., February 8
Beiler, Samuel R. (Katie Beiler) Kinzers R1, a daughter SAVILLA GRACE, March 2
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Zook, David S. (Mary Glick) Paradise R1, a daughter BARBARA, March 25

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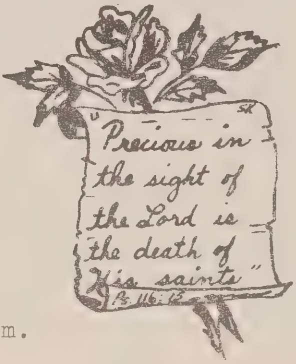
Wagler, Ezra (Mary Louise Wagler) a daughter LORETTA LYNN, March 21

Jamesport, Missouri
Beechy, Henry L. (Laura Miller) a son PERRY, March 15

OBITUARIES

Eash, Elizabeth, 74, wife of Ervin S. Eash, Topeka, Indiana died Thursday, March 4, in the Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne. She had been seriously burned in her home a month ago. She was born in LaGrange County July 20, 1896, the daughter of Valentine and Elizabeth (Miller) Lambright. She was married December 2, 1915, to Ervin S. Eash, who survives. Also surviving are five sons, Ervin Jr. of Shipshewana, Harvey of Howe, Amos and Ora of Ore., and Samuel of Fort Meyers, Fla.; six daughters, Mrs. Perry (Edna) Yoder of Wolcottville, Mrs. Edward (Elizabeth) Mast, Mrs. Vern (Wilma) Fry and Mrs. Albert (Rosa) Yoder, all of Topeka, Mrs. Eli (Susie) Eash of Homestead, Fla., and Mrs. John J. (Millie) Yoder of Millersburg; 66 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held by Bishop Dan A. Miller and Jacob Petersheim. Burial was in the Hawpatch Cemetery near Topeka.



Fisher, Mary E., 56, wife of Gideon L. Fisher, Ronks R1, Pennsylvania died March 12 in Orlando, Florida (see Front Page). She was born November 24, 1914 in Lancaster Co., Pa. to Abraham P. and Malinda L. (Esh) King. Besides her husband to whom she was married December 20, 1934, she is survived by the following children: Malinda, wife of Sam J. Esh of Ronks R1; Fannie, wife of Christian R. Petersheim of Christiana R1; Rebecca, wife of Enos K. Miller of Paradise R1; John E. and Abram of Ronks R1; Esther, wife of Benuel B. Fisher of Paradise R1; and Sadie at home; also 20 grandchildren and these brothers and sisters: Jacob E., David E., Levi E., and Annie E., all of Gordonville R1; Mrs. Benjamin King, Bird-in-Hand R1; Amos E. of Ronks R1, and Daniel E. of New Holland R2; One infant daughter preceded her in death. Funeral services were held by Benuel K. King, Stephen Esh, and Levi Fisher; Burial was in Gordonville Cemetery.

Fisher, Stevie S., eight-month-old son of John B. and Rachel (Stoltzfoos) Fisher of Quarryville R3, Pa. died in his mother's arms at 6:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 9 at his home. "The only path he has trod is the path that leads from his mother's arms into the arms of God." He had been ill since birth. Surviving besides his parents, are two brothers, Benuel and Levi; a sister, Ada Ruth, all at home; maternal grandparents, Levi S. and Sylvia (Bawell) Stoltzfus, Leola R1; paternal grandparents, Christian E. and Elizabeth (Beiler) Fisher, Paradise R1; maternal great-grandfather, Elam B. Stoltzfoos, Leola R1; paternal great-grandmothers, Mrs. Rebecca Fisher, Paradise R1; and Mrs. Lydia Beiler, Quarryville R3. His age was 8 months and 14 days. Funeral services were held by Jonas Esh and Sammie E. Fisher; Hymn "Gott lob, die stund ist kommen" by Elam B. Stoltzfoos at the house, "Ich war ein kleines kindlein" by Christ Petersheim at the Georgetown Cemetery; closing by John Glick.

Obituaries, continued

Kauffman, Sarah E., five-month-old daughter of Daniel S. and Lizzie K. (Esh) Kauffman of Strasburg R1, Pa. died Friday, March 12 at 8:30 a.m. at home. She had been ill since birth. In addition to the parents, she is survived by three brothers, Jacob, John and Christ, all at home; the maternal grandparents, John P. and Sarah (King) Esh, Bird-in-Hand R1; paternal grandparents, John A. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Kauffman, Gordonville R1; maternal great- grandfathers, Benjamin Esh, Leola R1, and Isaac King, Bird-in-Hand R1; also parental great-grandfathers, Daniel E/ Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1, and Daniel U. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R1. Her age was 5 months and 22 days. Funeral services were held by Bishop John L. Stoltzfus and Bishop Elam P. Kauffman; Burial in Bunker Hill Cemetery.

Schlabach, Samuel, 73, of Topeka R2, Indiana died Sunday, March 7 at 5 a.m. at the Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne following illness since early January. He was born in LaGrange County August 2, 1897, the son of Andrew and Nancy (Byler) Slabach. He was married November 23, 1916, to Edna Yoder, who preceded him in death on January 29, 1969. Later he married Elnore Yoder in Elkhart County, December 20, 1970, who survives. Also surviving are a son, Ervin of Topeka R2; 7 daughters, Mrs. Will Stutzman, Mrs. John Mast, Mrs. Ira Mullet, and Mrs. Felty Fry, all of Topeka, and Mrs. Christian Christner, Mrs. Harry Hochstetler, and Mrs. Elmer Bender, all of Wolcottville; 42 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held by Bishop Amos N. Miller; Burial was in the Miller Cemetery, southwest of LaGrange.

Stoltzfus, Infant son of Israel Jr. and Saville (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, Pennsylvania died at 10 p.m. Thursday, March 25, at the Jennersville Community Memorial Hospital. In addition to his parents survivors include five brothers, John, Samuel, Benjamin, Henry, and Christian; four sisters, Priscilla, Sara, Fannie and Barbara; the paternal grandparents, Israel and Priscilla (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, and the maternal grandparents, John and Sarah (Blank) Fisher, New Holland R1.

Stoltzfus, Jonathan K., aged 82 yrs., 6 mo., 22 days, of New Holland R2, Pennsylvania died at 10:15 a.m. Sunday, March 21 at the Maple Farms Nursing Home, Akron after having been a guest there a week. He was born in Leacock Township a son of the late Amos K. and Katie (King) Stoltzfus. He resided with a niece, Mrs. David L. Fisher, New Holland R2. Surviving are a brother, Jacob K. Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1; two sisters, Mrs. Katie Beiler, Supplee, and Rebecca, wife of Joel Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R1, and a number of nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held at the David L. Fisher residence, at the house by Samuel King; Hymn "Mein Gott! die sonne geht herfür" read by Amos Lapp; at the shop by Abner Smucker and Isaac Dienner; Hymn "Komm, sterblicher betrachte mich!" read by Amos Beiler; at the cemetery Hymn "Wer weisz, wie nahe mir mein ende?" read by Amos Lapp; closing by Amos Smucker; Burial at Beilers Cemetery.

Yoder, Bishop Joseph J., 86, Meyersdale R1, Pennsylvania died March 22 at his home. Born in Springs, Pa. April 20, 1884, he was the son of the late John D. and Anna (Miller) Yoder. He had been a bishop for 37 years. Surviving are four children: Albert J. Yoder of Kentucky, Noah J. Yoder of Meyersdale R1, Mrs. Yost J. Yoder of Grantsville, Md. and Lydia J. Yoder at home. Funeral services were held at Summit Mills by Simon Beachy of Del.& Bennie A. Yoder of Salisbury, Pa.

Nun mein Sitz in gegen stand Bleibet jetz fur ein anderer leer.
Got wird euch ein anderer senden, Fällt das amt ihm Gleich wol schwer;
Doch die stell mus sein besetzed, Das die herd bleibt unferletzed.
Einer der predicht Gottes wort Und es belebet fort und fort.

BAPTISMS

Johnson County, Iowa
February 21, 1971 by Bishop Glen Bender

Melvin L., son of Deacon and Mrs. LeRoy Bontrager and Mabel, daughter of Alvin and Ruby (Bontrager) Miller

Alvin, son of Chris Millers (formerly of Buchanan Co.) by Bishop Enos Swartzentruber.

Daviess County, Indiana
February 28 by Bishop Levi Graber

Wanda Knepp, daughter of John Waglers and Mary Louise Wagler, daughter of Joe Waglers.

Arthur, Illinois

Henry Miller District, February 28

Katie, daughter of Daniel and Malinda (Miller) Kaufman; Catherine, daughter of Harve and Lucy (Yoder) Schrock; Fannie Marie, daughter of Fred Schlabaugh and Mary (Yoder) deceased; Lorene, daughter of Jacob and Edna (Miller) Miller; Verna, daughter of Jonas and Sarah (Mast) Otto.

Edward Nisley District, February 28

Lovina, daughter of Jonas and Barbara (Schrock) Herschberger; Katie Ellen, daughter of Ben and Lucy (Miller) Schrock; Mary, daughter of Amzy and Emma (Yoder) Kaufman; Bernece, daughter of Howard and Nettie (Beachy) Yoder.

March 7, 1971

Lucy and Lydia, twin daughters of Abraham and Sarah (Schrock) Gingerich; Marlene, daughter of Levi and Mary (Schrock) Hostetler; Barbara, daughter of Erven and Tillie (Kaufman) Herschberger.

LaGrange County, Indiana

February 14 in Amzie Troyer District

Mervin, son of Harvey and Rose (Miller) Lambright; Mervin, son of Amzie and Edna (Miller) Troyer; LeAnna, daughter of Ora and Anna (Troyer Hochstetler.

February 21 in Joni B. Miller District

Lavern and Leland, sons of Raymond and Wilma (Miller) Yoder; Jerome Jr., son of the late Jerome and Mary (Miller) Hochstetler; Abbie, daughter of John and Verna (Miller) Eash; Susie, daughter of Elmer and Lizzie (Schlabach) Bender; Katie Ann, daughter of Henry and Abbie (Miller) Eash; Waneta, daughter of Monroe and Lena (Wagler) Barkman; Ruby, daughter of the late Sam and Fanny (Schrock) Bontrager.

February 21 in Amos N. Miller District

Mary, daughter of Elmer and Katie (Otto) Yoder; Orpha, daughter of Amos and Clara (Lambright) Miller.

February 28 in Amos N. Miller East District

Owen, son of Menno and Mary (Schmucker) Hershberger; Mary Anna, daughter of Ervin and Sarah (Miller) Hochstetler; LeAnna, daughter of Aaron and Polly (Hershberger) Beechy.

February 28 in Daniel Bontrager District

Rosemary, daughter of Arthur and Elizabeth (Frey) Hochstetler; Fanny Marie, daughter of Daniel and Wilma (Bontrager) Lambright.

February 28 in Dan Hochstetler District

Wilma, daughter of Perry and Fanny (Miller) Miller; Luella, daughter of Lester and Ella (Miller) Byler; Ruby, daughter of Levi and Edna (Hochstetler) Hostetler.

March 7 in Eli Lehman District

John, son of Chris and Mary (Lambright) Knepp; Elmer, son of Amos and Mattie (Miller) Bontrager.

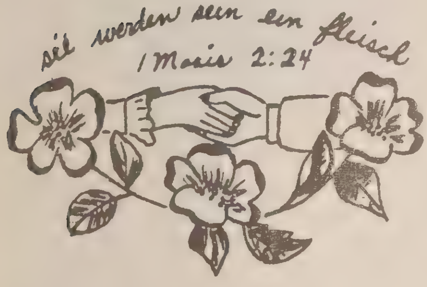
March 7 in Eli Lehman District

Manas, son of Ervin and Lydia (Hochstetler) Lehman; Joey, son of Joe and Sarah (Lambright) Yoder; David, son of Irvin and Elnora (Troyer) Bontrager; Mary Etta, daughter of Mose and Anna (Miller) Mast.

March 28 in Dave Nissley District

Perry, son of Harvey and Lizzie (Miller) Fry; Levi, son of Melvin and Susie (Miller) Raber; Wilma, daughter of Andy and Katie (Thomas) Bontrager; Rosanna, daughter of Jonas and Rosa (Bontrager) Beachy; Anna, daughter of Ervin and Lizzie (Plank) Miller.

MARRIAGES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Johnson County, Iowa

Firman Hershberger of Kalona and Suvilla Mast of Arthur, Illinois were married on March 25 in Illinois with intentions to make their home in Iowa.

Rudy Gingerich and MaryAn Schlabach were published March 28th to be married in the near future.

Arthur Illinois

March 11, Ben S., son of Bishop and Mrs. Steve Kaufman and Pauline J., daughter of Deacon and Mrs. John E. Otto

March 16, Widower Fred Schlabaugh and Mattie J. Yoder daughter of the late J.C. and Lucy Yoder

March 25, Ferman Herschberger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Herschberger and Sovilla, daughter of Fred and Anna Mast

LaGrange County, Indiana

March 4, Marvin, son of Simon Schwartz, Colon, Michigan and
Mary Anna, daughter of Daniel and Wilma (Bontrager) Lambright, Wolcottville

March 4, Calvin, son of Samuel and Sadie Wingard and
Ruby, daughter of Henry and Mary Yoder

March 18, Joseph J., son of Joseph S. and Clare (Hershberger) Wengerd, LaGrange and
Anna Mae, daughter of Ervin and Anna (Lehman) Whetstone, Topeka.

March 31, LeRoy Yoder of Kansas and
Wilma, daughter of Robert W. and the late Lizzie (Hershberger) Miller

Holmes County, Ohio

February 18, Esther, daughter of Pre. Raymond S. Weaver and
Ezra, son of Bishop Monroe Y. Miller

MIGRATION

On April 1st Ezra E. and Ada (Hostetler) Peachey and one child moved on a farm in Juniata County, Pa. to start farming after finishing his two years in IW service in Norristown, Pa. They originate from the Belleville, Pennsylvania area.

CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania by Levi L. Stoltzfus

There was a snow storm the 3rd and 4th which closed the roads, 5 to 6 inches of snow, rainfall was 1.5 in. Steer Market, choice fat cattle, $30. to 35. Cwt.; Stocker and Feeder Market, 26. to 43. Cwt.; Cows sold at Green Dragon, 385. to 800. a piece; Vealers, 44. to 59.50 Cwt.; Spring Lambs, choice, 60. Cwt.; Fat Hogs, 17. to 19.50 Cwt.; Feeder Pigs, 10. to 14. a head; Large Eggs, 40½ ¢ a doz.; Leghorn Fowl, 7¢ lb.; Broilers, 14½¢lb.; Corn, 1.70 bu.; Ear Corn, 43. Ton; Wheat, 1.75 bu.; Barley, 1.30 bu.; Oats, .95 bu.; Straw, 31. to 45. Ton; Hay, 29. to 56. Ton.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

by Elam S. Beiler

Farmers were plowing and hauling manure the last couple of weeks. Clover and alfalfa mixtures were mostly sowed in wheat fields by the middle of the month. Some new straight seeding alfalfa was put in latter part of month. The ground is very loose this spring due to the deep frost this winter. Some reports of up to 30 inches of frost in ground in Feb. Wheat fields are turning green. Pastures show no growth yet. Some tobacco beds are sowed.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania by Nancy K. Stoltzfus

March came as a lamb, but three days later (the 4th) we had a real blizzard--the biggest snow of the year. The next day was so sunny and warm, one could hardly imagine yesterday's weather. The rest of the month was up and down with the highest about 65 degrees and the lowest around 20. Farmers are busy plowing. Gardens are being planted.

The Ben G. Lantz family moved from Myerstown, Pa. to Newburg, Pa. (Franklin County) on March 6. They had planned to move the 4th. Their truck got as far as about a mile from their destination then got stuck in the snow. They came back home again to eat and sleep and postponed their moving until the 6th.

Centre County, Pennsylvania by Henry F. Beiler

We had changeable weather in March, not as much snow as last year. It is about all melted. We had snow on the ground since Christmas. Not much plowing done this spring. More plowing was done last fall than the year before. Work on farms is mostly hauling manure and doing chores. We are thankful for nice spring weather.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania by Sam M. Troyer

March started in very nice till the 3rd and 4th it snowed and drifted, closing roads. On the 19th it snowed again which lasted several days. This month was a little on the cool side. The fruit is slow budding which is good. We had around 1 inch of rain.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania by David Y. Renno

March was on the cold and dry side. Total rainfall for the month was 2.08 inches and total snowfall for the season was 35.91 inches. The ground was frozen in spots throughout the month, some snow banks around till April. The wheat came out from under the snow looking nice, but the grass is not green at all yet. No fruit trees are blooming yet which is in our favor if they don't bloom too early. Milk and beef prices remain very good but hogs and eggs are unprofitable. A little plowing was done the last week in March. Easter lambs sold from .30 to $1.20 a lb. at local auctions; young goats up to $22. each; young rabbits, $1.50 each.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania by Catherine M. Swarey

March was a month of contrasts, came in like a lamb, an ideal spring day, the rest of the week was snowy. It snowed 10 to 12 inches in 36 hours, then it blew 24 hours. Hollows were filled up, high places were bare, roads were closed, the rest of the week was sunny and the snow melted a lot. Twenty-six days in March were cloudy, either sprinkled or snowed a bit. Only five clear days without sprinkles or snow flurries, 16 to 18 inches of snow, lowest temperature was 15 degrees, highest 54. The last day was very much like the first one. Some plowing has been done, still some fodder in the fields yet. Some garden spading and planting has been done.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania by Abe S. Kinsinger

March came in like a lamb and also went out like a lamb, but we had plenty of snow and wind throughout the month. Sugaring is coming along with some fair runs, but not quite the nice fancy syrup they get sometimes. Plowing is started again as ground is drying off.

St. Mary's County, Maryland by Amos R. Stoltzfus

March started in nice and wet. On the 3rd it rained almost all day. Then the weather was mostly springlike with some windy, cold days. The 15th we had a heavy rainstorm in the p.m. Rained some more on the 19th with wind. On the 26th we had one of our biggest snows of the winter when about 7 or 8 inches fell from dawn til dusk. The next day it warmed up to 46 degrees and the snow was almost all gone by evening. The temperature was hardly below 20 at any time during March. Gardens have been planted most places around here. Farmers are plowing and hauling manure.

LaGrange County, Indiana by Ervin D. Hochstetler

We had very little rain in March and about 10 inches of snow. The coldest was 11 above the 9th and 24th. The warmest was in the sixties the 14th and 31st. It was a good year for maple syrup. Some folks said they got more than they ever had before. It sold for from 5 to 7 dollars. Some farmers have started plowing.

Daviess County, Indiana by Lester Marner

We had snow flurries during March up till the 21st. The farmers started plowing and sowing spring oats. The weather was nice until April 1 when it rained which was much needed for the pastures to grow. Thus far we haven't had much rain. Hogs are $16.50; Corn, $1.54; and eggs, 25¢ a dozen.

Arthur, Illinois by Menno A. Diener

March came in like a lamb. On the 3rd, 4th, and 5th we had a little rain, then more wind and snow flurries. Monday morning, the 8th temperature was 25. On the 15th and 16th temperature was 68 and 70 and on the 24th it was 18 above. The last week was very spring like and most of the oats crop was sown in this month and also some plowing was done. The ground works very nice.

Buchanan County, Iowa by Joe A. Yoder

Our first snow came December 10, 1970. Another real storm January 3rd and 4th which piled the snow in great banks, some of which could still be seen on March 31. We has 30 mornings of zero and below during the winter months. February 8 was the coldest with 29 below zero. At the end of March the fields are drying off fast and you will soon see field work started.

Jamesport, Missouri by Amos W. Yoder

March was mostly cool with about 9 inches of snow altogether. Mot much field work was done until the last few days. Farmers were busy disking for and sowing oats.

COMMUNITY NOTES

Arthur, Illinois

Dwayne, 17 year old son of John Anderson, which was reported in the December issue to have leukemia, was in the hospital for some time. They have found relief for him and he is able to do some farm work this spring.

March 7 - Levi Jess was taken to St. Mary's Hospital in Decatur with a heart condition and was in intensive care for a week. He died March 19 and the funeral was held March 22.

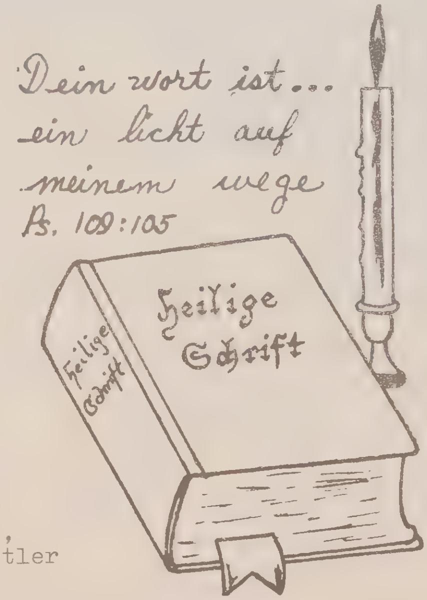
March 7 - Bishop Dan Miller and wife and daughter Fannie were in a car and buggy accident. There were no serious injuries but Fannie was delayed from teaching at the Plainview School for two weeks.

BAPTISMS

From Out of the Past

In the summer of 1889 a group of 17 young folks joined the Old Order Amish church in Elkhart County, Indiana and were probably baptized by "Lef" John Miller.

David D. Hostetler was married to Leah Lambright, died near Topeka, Indiana; Noah Bender was married to Katie Gingerich of Kalona, Iowa, died near Goshen, Ind.; Levi Troyer, preacher at Mio, Michigan; Jacob C. Troyer married to Sarah Miller, died near Goshen, Indiana; Tobe Miller married Amanda Troyer a sister to Levi named above, Goshen, Indiana and one of the group; Noah S. Miller, was a deacon in the Conservative Church, died near Kalona, Iowa; Mona Hershberger married to Cora Chupp, died near Goshen, Indiana; Abe A. Miller, was not married; John Miller, a brother to Abe; Katie B. Bontrager married Dan I. Eash, died in automobile accident, was living near Goshen, Indiana; Rebecca Bontrager married Deacon Samuel Kauffman, died near Goshen, Indiana (Katie and Rebecca were sisters); Franny Miller married Bishop Manasses E. Bontrager of Michigan; Lizzie C. Troyer married John Yoder of Nappanee, Indiana; Mattie C. Troyer married Preacher Samuel D. Hochstetler of Goshen, Indiana (These two and Jacob E. were brother and sisters); Lizzie D. Kaufman married Bishop Jonathan (Yone) Troyer of the Conservative Church; Lydia I. Miller married to Preacher Abe A. Yoder, died near LaGrange, Indiana.



This information was obtained from Mrs. Noah Bender and family. Mrs. Bender is perhaps the only surviving companion, at the age of 99 years. She is living with her daughter and husband, Uriah Bontrager, Goshen R1, Indiana.

Submitted by Anna Eash, Shipshewana, Indiana

MYERS CEMETERY

The MYERS CEMETERY (Lancaster County, Pennsylvania) was put on record in loose leaf note book form in 1969 and can be bought at the Gordonville Book Store or from David K. Stoltzfus, Newport Road, Ronks R1, Pa. 17572 for $3.90. Send all mail orders to David K. Stoltzfus and add 25¢ for postage and packing.

It includes over 1,000 burials dating from early 1800 to the present. Also includes a map which is done to scale so authentically that both the map and the book have space provided to add future burials. Following is a list of burials since the book was printed. For month and day of death see index and obituary in THE DIARY of that year. Row and Lot references can be better understood if you see the map.

Row	Lot		Born	Died
1	9	Barbara, widow of John S. King	1900	1970
4	2	Christian S. King	1922	1970
5	4	Betsie (Petersheim) Stoltzfus	1896	1970
7	3	John B. Miller	1889	1970
8	3	Rachel, wife of Noah D. Zook	1886	1970
10	15	Rachel, widow of Eli K. Beiler	1892	1970
11	10	Dena, widow of Aaron L. Beiler	1900	1970

Row	Lot		Born	Died
4	13	Jacob E. Stoltzfus	1900	1970
5	2	Katie Petersheim	1906	1970
5	9	Josiah M. Beiler	1896	1969
6	2	John B. Stoltzfus	1888	1870
6	11	Benjamin G. Lantz	1907	1970
7	8A	part of Rufus Allgyer lot, Eli Ebersol	1892	1970
10	4	Joel K. Beiler	1895	1970
10	12A	part of Reuben & Annie Smoker lot, George Wasmer	1890	1970
18	19	Henry K. Beiler	1886	1970

New Lots - The following are not on map but can be put on at top.

Row	Lot		Born	Died
5	16	Infant son of Benjamin and Naomi Stoltzfus		1969
23	9	Infant son of John and Mary Ebersol		1970
15	27	Wilmer, son of Wilmer and Lydia Stoltzfoos		1970
23	10	David, son of John S. and Rebecca Beiler		1970

LIST OF GENEALOGIES

Descendants of Elias A. Weaver, compiled by Mr. and Mrs. Yost H. Miller
Cattaraugus R1, New York 14716
Descendants of Daniel and John Schlabach, compiled by Jacob C. Schlabach
Millersburg, Star Route, Ohio 44654
Descendants of David Troyer, compiled by Dan G. Troyer
Millersburg R2, Ohio 44654
Descendants of Emanuel Hershberger, compiled by Val J. Miller 2 children
Sugarcreek R1, Ohio 44681
Descendants of Samuel J. Schrock, compiled by Jonas Miller, Plain City, Ohio
Mr. Sam R. Schrock, Yoder, Kansas
Miss Anna Eash, Shipshewana, Indiana
Descendants of Eli J. Schlabach, compiled by Mr. and Mrs. Levi E. Troyer
Apple Creek R1, Ohio
Descendants of Simeon H. Yoder, compiled by Mrs. Jonathan Z. Yoder (Mattie S.)
Belleville, Pa.
Descendants of Mose and Elizabeth Miller 1850, compiled by John I. Yoder, Middlebury, Ind.
Enos J. Yoder, Hartley, Del. 1967
Family Record of Isaac J. Hershberger and Fannie I. Miller 1850
Compiled by Amanda N. Hershberger 1963
Descendants of Joseph M. Gingerich, compiled by Emma Jean Miller
12133 Kinsley Drive N.E., Hartville, Ohio
Descendants of Eli J. Miller I Mary Weaver II Elizabeth Miller 1841
Compiled by Jacob J. Miller, Bowling Green, Mo. 1969
Family of John K. Fisher
by Saloma J. Byler
Family Record of Christian H. and Barbara Yoder
Compiled by Emanuel J. Hershberger
The Amish Moving to Maryland
by John F. Esh
Descendants of Joseph Miller and Christian Eicher, compiled by Miss Loretta J. Yoder
Wolford R1, Box 38, N.D.
History of Preachers, Bishops, and Deacons 1703 - 1970
Compiled by Jacob J. Mast (bishop) Mrs. Roy Schlabach

A GERMAN DICTIONARY

"Kleines Pennsylvaniadeutsches Wörterbuch" or Abridged Pennsylvania German Dictionary is the name of a dictionary published recently in Germany, compiled by C. Richard Beam. It contains an interesting collection of Pennsylvania German words and their English definition such as "Buschelkarreb - bushel basket," "Dabbich - clumsy." A section is devoted to explanation of pronunciation. Available from C. Richard Beam, 406 Spring Dr., Millersville, Pa.

Noch ein Theil von der Ordnungs Brief geſchrieben im Jahr 1807.

5ten Und wer dieſe Meidung übertritt aus ſchwachheit oder unwiſſenheit kann verſchont werden mit bekennen vor der Gemein er habe gefehlet. Wer aber aus leichtſinnigkeit oder freiheit übertretten thut, iſt aber nicht widerſpenſtig wann er angewarnt wird, das kann mit der höchſten bekanntniß verſchont werden. Iſt er aber widerſpenſtig und will gar nicht hören, der ſoll abgeſondert werden von der Gemein.

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(Fortſetzung folgt.)

The Hour Glass

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past by Amos L. Fisher

After Michael Lapp Sr. moved from Chester County to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, three of his sons remained in the said county, Christian, Abraham and David Lapp; Christian and Abraham purchased the two adjoining farms in East Whiteland Township from their father Michael Lapp. Christian Lapp was born in 1779 and was married in 1803 to Anna Kauffman, born November 25, 1782, a daughter of Jacob Kauffman who had also settled in Chester County. Christian Lapp was listed as one of the executors of his father-in-law's estate in 1818 when the real estate of Jacob Coffman was sold in East Whiteland Twp., Chester County of 108 acres, bounded by land of Charles Fahnestock, Christian Zook, John Phillips, Joseph Bartholomew and others. Christian Lapp died in 1860 and is buried in the old Amish Cemetery North of Malvern, Pa. His family Bible is in possession of the Chester Co. Historical Society of West Chester, Pa. It is a German Lutheran Bible and in fairly good condition. In the fly leaves of the old Bible he lists the names of his children in German script, as follows: (1) Jacob Lapp, born January 29, 1805 who died in Juniata County leaving twelve children; (2) Johannes, born 1806; (3) Samuel Lapp; (4) Davis Lapp and (5) Isaac Lapp. We will here print a copy from the Auditors Office of the Christian Lapp estate in 1861. (NOTICE) Estate of Christian Lapp, late of the township of East Whiteland in the county of Chester and state of Pennsylvania, deceased: To Ann Lapp, widow of said deceased, Davis Lapp, John Lapp, Samuel Lapp, Phebe Lapp, and Isaac Lapp, children of said deceased and the following grandchildren; children of the intestate son Jacob (who died in Juniata County) vis; Stephen Lapp, Mary Ann intermarried with Isaac Sailor, Francis married to _______ Tilden, Phebe Lapp, John, Lavina, Isaac, Elizabeth, Sarah, Emma, Samuel, and Louisa. The last named five are minors and have no guardian; heirs and legal representatives, and to all others interested in the estate of said deceased; (TAKE NOTICE) that an inquest will be held and taken on Thursday the 20th day of June A.D. 1861 at 10 o'clock A.M. on the premises late of Christian Lapp deceased, consisting of No. 1 a track of land situated in the township of East Whiteland in the county aforesaid, bounded by land of Abraham Fetters, John Malin, John R. Thomas and others, containing sixty-two acres, be the same more or less and No. 2, a wood lot situated in the township of Charlestown and county aforesaid bounded by land of Daniel Gunkle and others, containing five acres be the same more or less. The inquest will meet at the dwelling house at the time above set forth for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of the said deceased, to and among the heirs and legal representatives, if the same can be done without prejudice to or spoiling the whole; otherwise to value and appraise the same according to law, at which time and place you are hereby requested to attend if you think proper.

J Heffelfinger Sheriff
May 24, 1861

After the Amish families, ministers and so on moved out of Chester Valley, the remaining people joined the more liberal churches such as the Baptist, Methodist, and Presbyterian churches, and of course the younger generation had no use for the old German Bible, so it was given to C. L. Kauffman of Gap, Pennsylvania. A paragraph written in the Bible by C. L. Kauffman signifies the truth of this writing, vis; This Bible was presented to me C. L. Kaufman by Phebe Bnea (nee Lapp) now living in Lancaster, Penn. married to Sam M. Bnea This 7th day of Jan 1894. The above Christian Lapp was uncle to my mother and the above Anna Kauffman was aunt to my father Samuel Kauffman born Sept 15, 1797 died Sept 15, 1879 age 82 yr.

signer C. L. Kauffman.

The writer at this time knows no one personally of the descendants of Christian Lapp. But the name Lapp is found extensively throughout Chester County and eastern Pennsylvania

to be continued

From NEW HOLLAND CLARION'S "Over the Trail to the Past"

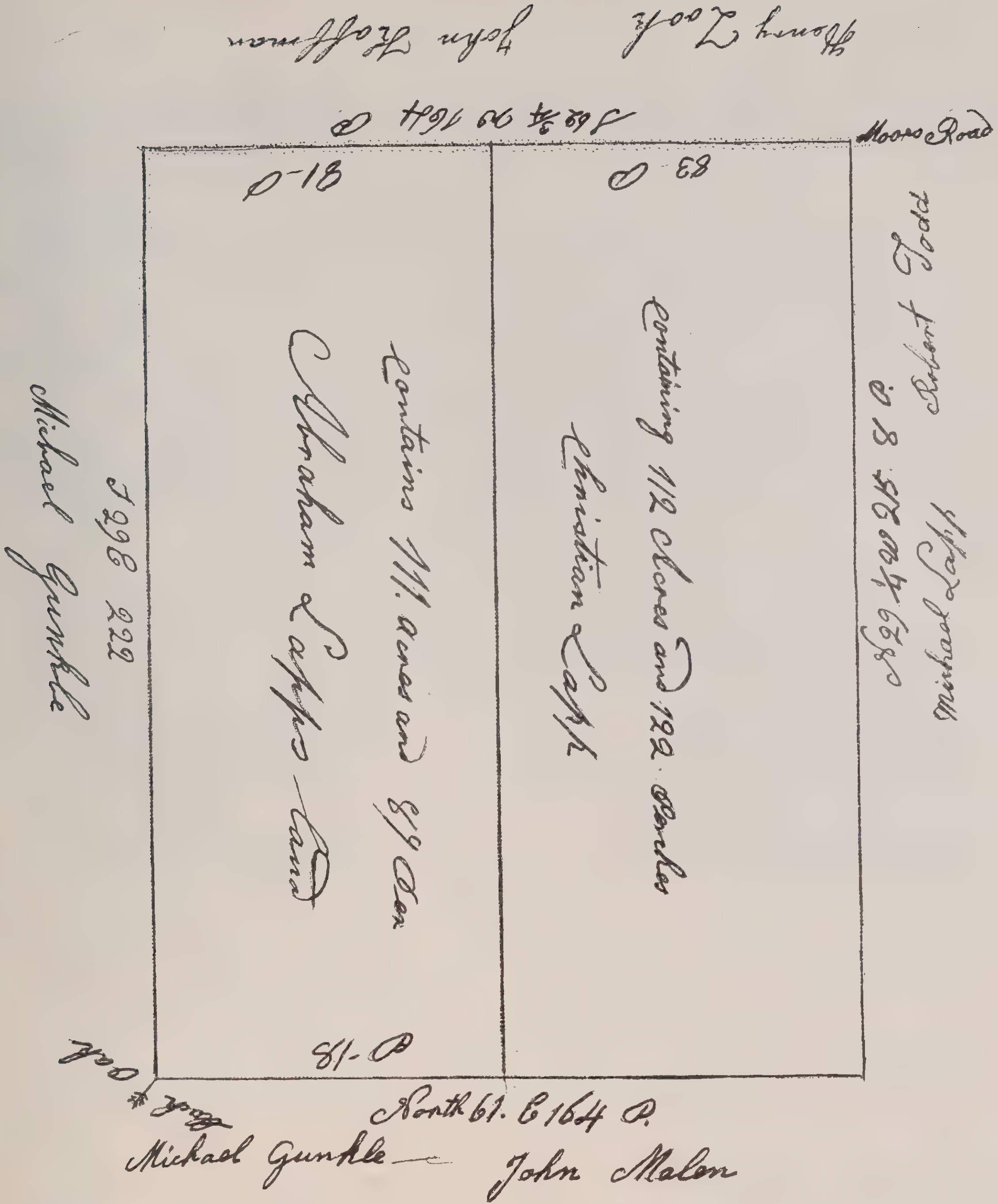
75 Years Ago

Joseph Zook of near Intercourse moved to Dover, Delaware, last week with his two teams. This was a distance of 79 miles and it took him two and one half days.

March 14, 1896 - The first real snow storm of the winter in this section occurred on Wednesday. All previous snows had been so trifling as to be hardly worth mentioning. It snowed until about 8 inches lay on the ground. A good strong wind drifted it considerably, but roads were still open. Many sleighs appeared in the streets to enjoy the winter's best snow.

The Voganville reporter wrote that Samuel Burkholder filled the ice house at the hotel on Saturday. Jacob Stoltzfus did the hauling.

A report of the percentages made by the pupils of three classes of the Amsterdam school for the last month was published. They ranged from 91 to 100.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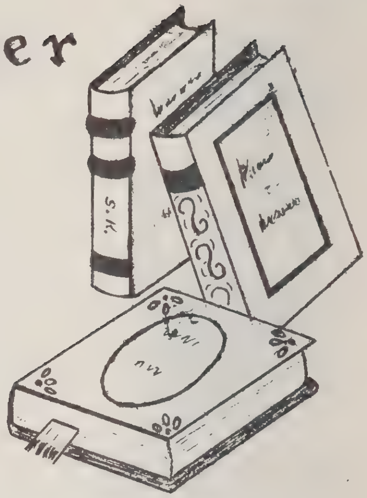
Isaac Bonsall

Unſere Geiſtliche Bücher



Verleugnet Man seinen glauben, so kränkt Man sein gewissen, oder nimmt Man gegen sein Hertz und gegen seine ueberzeugung eine andre religion an, so seszt Man seine seele in die auszerste noth, ja in die gefahr der verdamnisz.

If one denies his faith he does violence to his conscience, or if he adopts another religion, contrary to his heart and mind, he exposes his soul to extreme danger, yea, to the peril of damnation.

from MARTYRS MIRROR, page 1125

Das 139. Lied.

Ein Lied von etlichen Brüdern, die gefangen worden ſind zu Dürsrüte in der Schweitz.

1.

O Herr! um dein Gnad ruff ich dich an.
Ohne dein Gnad niemand nit thun kann,
Hilf Gott daß es mir gelinge,
Ein neues Lied zu ſingen.

2.

Matthäi am fünften thut es ſtahn,
Wie Chriſtus auf einen Berg thät gahn,
Und lehrt das Volk mit Unterſcheid,
Die acht Stück der Seligkeit.

3.

Jetzund im neun und fünfzigſten Jahr,
Ging auf einen Berg ein kleine Schaar,
Auf Dürsrüte mit Namen,
Da kam das Völklein zuſammen.

4.

Da hatten ſie auch dieſelbige Lehr,
Wie auf dem Berg Chriſtus der Herr,
Das Fünft, das Sechſt, das Siebend,
Viel ſchöne Sprüch aus der Bibel.

5.

Als nun die Lehr bald war zum End,
In die Stube kam ein Rauch gerennt,
Mit Lichtern und mit Waffen,
Gleich wie die Wölf zu den Schaafen.

6.

Der Vorderſt war Simon genannt,
Die Gelegenheit war ihm bekannt,
Selbſt ſechſt kam er gegangen,
Sie nahmen vier Brüder gefangen.

7.

Der Reitknecht war ein rauher Trabant,
Ein bloſes Schwerdt trug er in der Hand,
Schwört und fluchet, und wütet ſehr,
Wolt dienen ſeinem Herren.

8.

Zween muthige Geſellen ſchrien mit Namen,
Liefen und trugen Seil zuſammen,
Sie thäten die Brüder binden,
Und führen von Weib und Kinden.

9.

Endlich wend ſie den Lehrer han,
Ich hört er gab ſich ſelber an:
O Gott thu uns nicht ſtrafen,
Send uns ein Hirt der Schaafen.

10.

Ully Baumgärtner zog bunden davon,
Er ſprach: fürchtet Gott und haltet euch wohl,
Solchen Abſcheid thät er machen,
Der lieblich Hirt der Schaafen.

11.

Sie führten ihn gen Tragſalwalt,
Der Landvogt macht den Abſcheid bald,
Gen Bern thät er ſie ſenden,
Das iſt die Haupt=Stadt im Lande.

12.

Sie führten ihn ins Zuchthaus genannt,
Darinnen zween Brüder wohl bekannt,
Es ſind zween alte Hirten,
Hand ſchon ein Zeitlang geſtritten.

13.

Die Gelehrten kamen oftmals dar,
Beſonders in dem erſten Jahr,
Erſuchten ſie noch mit Studiren,
Von ihrem Glauben abzuführen.

14.

Ully Baumgärtner zur Antwort gab,
Von meinem Glauben ſteh ich nicht ab,
Der mir mein Glauben hat geben,
Der erſchuf den Himmel und die Erden.

15.

Viel Arges thät man über ſie ſagen,
In fremden Landen auch verklagen:
Mattheus ſchreibt: ihr Lieben,
Freuet euch, ſo ſie daran lügen.

16.

Weiters will ich euch zeigen an,
Wie weit ſie zehen Brüder hand,
Sie hand zu führen ein ſtill und friedens
So viel Gnad wird er geben. [Leben,

17.

Nur Gottes Gnad der Frommen Fürbitt,
Auf Menſchen Hülf vertrauen ſie nicht,
Auf den rechten Felſen bauen,
Iſt Gott allein vertrauen.

18.

Der Oberkeit auch Zins und Zehenden,
Ja Zoll und Steur was ihnen mag gehören,
Und dienen mag zum Frieden,
Auch Gott für ſie zu bitten.

19.

Die Brüder wolten ſich nicht kehren,
Nach fremden Landen zu andern Herren.
Darauf ſchickt man ſie balde,
Auf die Marck, aus dem Lande.

20.

Anthony Himmelberg, ein Hirt der Schaafen
Iſt zu Bern im Frieden entſchlafen,
Mit Thränen thät er ſäen,
Mit Freuden wird er erndten.

21.

Der dieſes Lied ſang und gedicht,
Der war anfangs bey dieſer G'ſchicht;
Gott helf uns allenſammen,
Durch Jeſum Chriſtum, Amen.

Some Anabaptist writers refer to this hymn as the "Dürsrüttilied." Like many other hymns of the Ausbund it expounds Anabaptist church life at its deepest. It is a rich source of Swiss brethren history, such a most beautiful, well composed piece of poetry, and this when combined with its wailing yet serene tunes, will spring a soul stirring effect of the same lasting qualities as most other hymns of the Ausbund. Once well learned, once well sung a lover of hymns will have it in heart forever. So rich in spirit is it that when sung in a congregation, a participant will be left in the wake of feeling the presence of a small group being assembled in the back hills to peacefully worship their God, their leader (Vorsterer) is carried away leaving a shepherdless flock, somewhat lamenting yet gloriously accepting their fate.

One writer gives us this picture of the incident.[1] In January 1659 Anabaptist hunters broke into a meeting at Dürsrüte and took away the ministers and three other leading members while the rest of the congregation could only stand by and weep.

The first stanza introduces a new hymn sung by calling on the Highest for Grace, and by this way alone can the desire of the author be fulfilled. The next three verses describe a group of followers of the apostles being assembled in much like compassion as where the apostles themselves, rehearsing the will and sermons of their Master. According to verse three this took place on a mount in the nine and fiftieth year (1659).[2] Their meditation was on Matthew five, six, and seven. At the near close of the meeting a cavalry broke upon them in a violent storm-like manner, with sword in hand cursing and swearing yet proclaiming to be the works of allegiance to authority. Verse 8 tells of two of these servants calling by name their victims, binding them with ropes to lead them away from women and children. The hymn goes on to say that one captive was Uli Baumgartner a minister of the Dürsrüte Church and that he was led away to Tragsawalt.[3] Verse 12 tells us he was now tried at the state chapel and there he met another minister also gafangen for the same cause. He may have been of the same group. According to the Martyrs Mirror Anthony Himmelberg was with him in prison at Bern a little later on and now that this name appears in our hymn, verse 20, we know that they were both of the Dürsrüte group.

The name of the author of this hymn is not clear but the last verse clearly states that he was a witness of the "geschicht"(story).

Like other hymn writers of this era, it is not likely that this one printed or published his own hymn but rather some outside observer or collector gathered it and had it published in later years, perhaps after the author's death. The first known publication of this hymn seems to have been in 1696, found in the Anabaptist hymnbook entitled "Geistliches Liederbüchlein." A later publication is found in the work of Ernst Müller (1895) in his book "Bernischen Taüfer,"and many sources of reference today ascribe this hymn to him failing to mention that it is intact to the Ausbund. This hymn was long used by the Mennonites. (reference, Mennonite Encyclopedia)

While this hymn is virtually used in the church today it cannot be listed among the most popular ones or the most used in church services. Until 1950 it was practically unknown to our hymn leaders here in the Pequea congregations or in Eastern Pennsylvania. It was first introduced here in the early fifties by visiting brethren from Holmes County, Ohio attending singings here where hymn leaders exchanged unknown hymns to unused melodies from the Ausbund. This was continued until all the hymns of the Ausbund could be sung on the original tunes.

Before closing this article we will want to refer to a short narrative found in an old almanac[4] which deals with an incident in the life of George Washington. In the darkest period of Washington's career and while in distress he was conveyed in a vision before an unearthly white object which showed him how his desire will be fulfilled in time, to have organized a free republic west of the Atlantic. At the end of the vision a loud voice cried out, "while the stars remain and the heavens send down dew on the earth so long shall the union last."

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[1] Delbert Gratz, Bernese Anabaptists pp 33

[2] See Martyrs Mirror page 1124

[3] Tragsalwalt, a canton court where the convicts were first given a hearing.

[4] also in the February, 1960 Sunshine magazine

Now as we know that among the Swiss brethren their were many capable writers even though they were denounced by state officials to be ignorant or dumb or worthless characters, their writing was of proven value. It is supposed that the greatest bulk of their letters, poetry, hymns, and literature never reached the press, and most of this was in time destroyed by their enenies, sometimes burned and forever lost. It did not just happen that in this struggle of life the Ausbund survived and was preserved for the twentieth century church to be used at will. It is only reasonable to believe that these hymns are so deeply embedded in spirit that they cannot be lost or cannot die and we also know that they will not be mocked. So long as there is dew on the earth and there are stars in the heavens and ample spirit prevails there will be an Ausbund for those who want it.

The Dürsrütte Gemein

Here we get a start from the book "Bernese Anabaptists" from which we will quote only a part of a paragraph. The lonely valleys of the Emmenthal became more and more the stronghold of Bernese Anabaptism during the seventeenth century. Despite persecution and migration the numbers grew until the extremely severe times of the 1670's. In alsmost every village there were a few Anabaptists. Dürsrütte was a village like that in the canton of Bern. From a list of immigrations to Holland (1711)[1] we find typical Mennonite and Amish names, as Martin Strahm, Hans Burki, Peter Gerber, Hans Swarzentrub, Ulrich Beer (Bear), Niklaus Baumgardner, Niklaus Häberli (Eberly) Chr. Gäuman, Verena Hohler, Elisbeth Aebersold (Ebersol) Han Schneider, Samuel Reber, Catherina Haldimann, Barbara Rohrer, Margeret Küng, Anna Habegger, Elisbeth Neuenschwander, Daniel Becker, Barbara Joost, Katherina Müller, Elsbeth Sommer, Elsbeth Althaus, Ulrich Roth, Magd. Schmied, Chr. Schlapbach, Elsbeth Graf, Christian Stutzman, Elsbeth Wenger, Christian Neuhauser, Elsbeth Eicher, Hans Bühler, and Jacob Peter Zimmerman.

These are ship lists of families from the Bern gebiet unloaded at Amsterdam, and in all probably many have later migrated to America. At the head of the ship list is a note as follows: "Die in Amsterdam angekommen Flüchtlinge gehörten verwiegend der Ammannschen partei an. Die anhangen Reists waren beinahe all unterwegs davongegangen." This ship list is mainly of the Amish party. The John Reist followers were either mostly on another ship or chose another destination.[2]

The origin of the Dürsrüte Gemein is hard to determine but we have a little more of its history along the line. From the work of Ernst Müller we collect the following paragraph:

"Nun wird ein besuch bei Uli Baumgartner auf Dürsrüte erzählet. Die Baumgartner sind noch heute dort ansäszig, aber gut landeskirchlich. Als von etwa zwanzig jahren das alte haus abgebrochen wurde, fand sich zwischen zwie wanden ein verstecktes gemach, in dem ein stuhl und ein bajonett sich befand. Ein ähnlicher versteck bestaht noch jeszt in einem der andern häuses auf Dürsrütte".

Here Müller relates that a visit was made to Uli Baumgartner of Dürsrütte--That the Baumgartner homestead still exists, but they are now of the state church. About twenty years prior to this visit the house was broke away, it was found in the old house a place between two walls a confined chamber and that this is typical to find in houses of Dürsrütte.

In another paragraph Müller goes on to say that a certain pfarr named Forrer had with him also Michel Müller and Daniel Strodel on a visit to the Täufferen and carried with them a New Testament. This was the 16th of March 1621. This company visited with Uli Baumgartner first to converge on church affairs but adjourned without conclusion. At a later date (1627) Forrer sent a letter to Baumgartner and also den Taufrodel von Langnau and by this he claims to have won the täufer to a certain degree. If this is to say that the Dürsrütte täufer were now converted by this company is not sure but he goes on to say that Uli Baumgartner was shortly afterwards (1629) taken to Trachselwalt on account of his faith. Further on he relates that upon this disputation held at Trachselwalt, that after sunset a bright meteor was seen in the sky, but many imprudent people spoke of this meteor as a natural wonder. It proved to be a sign of God, because the following day the sun shome unusually bright and warm.

From a footnote of the Martyrs Mirror we take that the Dürsrütte Gemein consisted of "Zestreite Schaafe Christi" that fled Zurich in earlier persecutions, settled in the Berner Gebiet.

Uli Baumgartner

From the Mennonite Encluclopedia we can write of an Uli Baumgartner of Dürsrütte an Anabaptist preacher for many years. He was arrested in 1629 and taken to Trachselwald, later to Berne where he died the following year. Two other members of the family were arrested and imprisoned in 1669.[3] David Baumgartner, a descendant of the former was a preacher in the Corgemont congregation.[4] He was ordained in 1789 and immigrated to America in 1837 settling in Wayne County, Ohio, and later Wells County, Indiana where the Baumbartner congregation was organized.

Joseph F. Beiler

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[1] An immigration list by Ernst Müller in "Bernischen Taufer" p 307-309

[2] Considering this time as only about two decades since the seperation this is typical from other references that the two parties did not associate to the extent that they preferrably boarded the same ship on immigration.

[3] This is probably referring to the Baumgartner, the subject in our hymn.

[4] A congregation on the Jura Mountains, at that time French territory.

DREISZIG SONNTAGSREGELN.

1.
Sprich dankbar heute, bist du erwacht:
"Dies ist der Tag, den Gott gemacht!"

2.
Das Irdische weg! die Arbeit lasz ruhn!
Mit himmlischen Dingen nur hab's zu thun!

3.
Auch Erdensorgen lasz ruhen heut',
Und denke nur an die Ewigkeit!

4.
Still sey's im Haus, im herzen auch!
So will es des heiligen Sonntags Brauch.

5.
Eins Habe deine Seele gern:
Recht oft zu seyn im Hause des Herrn.

6.
Der Schall der Glocken, Predigt, Gesang,
Sey'n deinem Herzen, wie Himmelsklang.

7.
Bet', ehe du in die Kirche gehst,
Dasz du recht hörst und recht verstehst.

8.
Die Seele, verstäh'! sie empfangt den Segen;
Drum sey nicht blosz dein Leib zugegen.

9.
Schon vorher sammle deine Gedanken,
Lasz ja sie hin und her nicht wanken.

10.
Auf dem Kirchweg schon denk' still an Gott;
Weg Leichtsinn, Weltlust, Erdennoth!

11.
Komm nicht zur Kirche, umher zu gaffen;
Nein! deine Seligheit zu schaffen.

12.
Komm nicht zur Kirche, mit Putz zu glanzen;
Nein! dich zu schmucken mit Himmelskranzen.

13.
Komm nicht zur Kirche, zu tadeln, zu richten,
Nein! deine Sünden zu zernichten.

14.
Komm in die Kirche, nicht blosz zu horen,
Nein! besser zu werden und dich zu bekehren.
Die Wiedergeburt--das say dein Plan:
Sonst gehst du doch die Höllenbahn.

15.
Versorge dich hier fur die Ewigkeit;
Kurz ist das Leben, die Gnadenzeit.
Komm, hungriger Gast! Gott ist dein Wirth,
Nimm dankbar, was dir geboten wird.

16.
Nur Fuhllos, gedankenlos nicht gesungen!
Nein! singend dich auf zu Gott geschwungen.

17.
Was dann der Prediger dich lehrt,
Das schreib' in's Herz dir, das sey dir werth.

18.
Wend' alles Gehörte auf dich nur an,
Und deut' es nicht auf Jedermann.
Ob Andre viel, ob wenig taugen?
Gleichviel für den Balken in deinen Augen.

19.
Denk', Allen sey blosz fur dich--fur dich.
O hort ich doch viel, recht viel für mich!
Ein Jeder ist hier sich selbst der Nächste,
Wer das Meiste sich nimmt, der ist der Höchste.

20.
Klag' nicht, wenn dich die Predigt trifft;
Das ist die Eigenschaft der Schrift.
Sie halt dir'n Spiegel vor's Gesicht--
Weh dir, tilgst du die Flecken nicht!

21.
Ist nun Gesang und Predigt aus,
Geh' nicht gedankenlos nach Haus.
Erwage nun Allen und prüfe dein Herz!
Die Ewigkeit ist fürwahr kein Scherz.

22.
Bet', wenn du daheim bist! Gott hort das Lallen
Der suchenden Seele mit Wohlgefallen.
Sprich kindlich mit Ihm! dann unterweist
Und leitet Er dich durch seinen Geist.

23.
Bedenke fur dich auch klug und fein:
Was Seligkeit schaffe, was ewige Pein.
Lies sorgsam nach im Bibelbuch,
Was Heil dir bringe, was Gottes Fluch.

24.
Du muszt im Haus auch mit den Deinen
Dich noch zu Gefang und Gebet vereinen.

25.
Hausvater, dulde nicht Muthwillen!
Um der Deinen--ja um deinetwillen.
Treib' alle Narrentheidinge fort,
Sprich heute nur von Gottes Wort.

26.
Nicht locke dich Tanzwuth, Trank und Klang!
An Gott nur denke dein Lebenlang!
Wer nach der Predigt sich zerstreut,
Der weisz noch nichts von Seligkeit.

27.
Wer im Herrn sich freut, den reizt nicht die Welt,
Noch was sie für Vergnügen halt.
Wie? sollt' er nicht gern die Weltlust verschmahn?
Wein hat er, drum laszt er Wasser stehn.

28.
Blickst du umher auf Feld und Flur,
Sieh' Gott im Tempel der Natur!
Der Sternenhimmel, der Wurm im Staube--
Sie rufen dir: Liebe! Hoffe! Glaube!

29.
So macht' es Jesus. Stets denke Sein!
Es wird dich wahrlich nicht gereu'n.
Sein denkend kommt dann, eh' du's gedacht,
Der schone Abend, die stille Nacht.

30.
Nun betest du noch, singst heil'ge Lieder,
Befiehlst dich Gott, und legst dich nieder.--
Gott wecke dich sonft am Morgen wieder!

Wie selig ist solche Sonntagsweihe!
Sie schafft nur Segen, und niemals Reue.
Ein solcher Sonntag bringt dich weiter
Eine Stuf' auf der steilen Himmelsleiter.
Zum heiligen Tempel wird Herz und Sinn,
Gott wohnet mit seinen Engeln drin.
Ja! feierst du immer den Sonntag so,
Dann lebst du auf Erden--im Himmel froh.

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County, Indiana church experienced a division in 1861, and the Adams County, Indiana church also had a division sometime prior to 1870. A division occurred in the Waterloo County, Ontario area in 1886. Most of the other communities in our study swung nearly completely over to one side or the other or took a completely different path.

The Amish Mennonites eventually organized three district conferences: the Western, the Indiana-Michigan, and the Eastern. From 1916 to 1926 these three conferences merged with the (Old) Mennonite conferences in their area, thus they ceased to be known as Amish Mennonites and became members of the Mennonite Church. Ironically the Amish Mennonites had drifted so far from the traditional Amish ways by the time of the mergers that the Mennonites with which they united were often more conservative than they were. Even today the congregations in the Mennonite Church of Amish background are generally known for their progressiveness.

A number of congregations did not choose to affiliate with the Amish Mennonite Conferences or the Old Order Amish. Among the 19th century immigrants the Lewis County, New York church, and the largest body of Amish in the Waterloo County, Ontario area held a more conservative position than the three regional Amish Mennonite conferences. In 1912 a number of independent Amish Mennonite churches formed the Conservative Amish Mennonite Conference. The Croghan Church of Lewis County, New York joined this conference. The independent Amish Mennonites of Ontario organized the Ontario Amish Mennonite Conference in 1922.

In 1954 the name Amish was dropped from the title of the Conservative Amish Mennonite Conference. In 1963 the Ontario Amish Mennonite Conference changed its name to the Western Ontario Mennonite Conference. These two groups have long stayed seperate from the main stream of Mennoniteism, and even now ties with the Mennonite Church are not as strong as those of most other regional conferences. Since the name Amish was dropped from the titles of both of these groups sadly enough most of the simplicity and conservatism associated with the Amish has been lost.

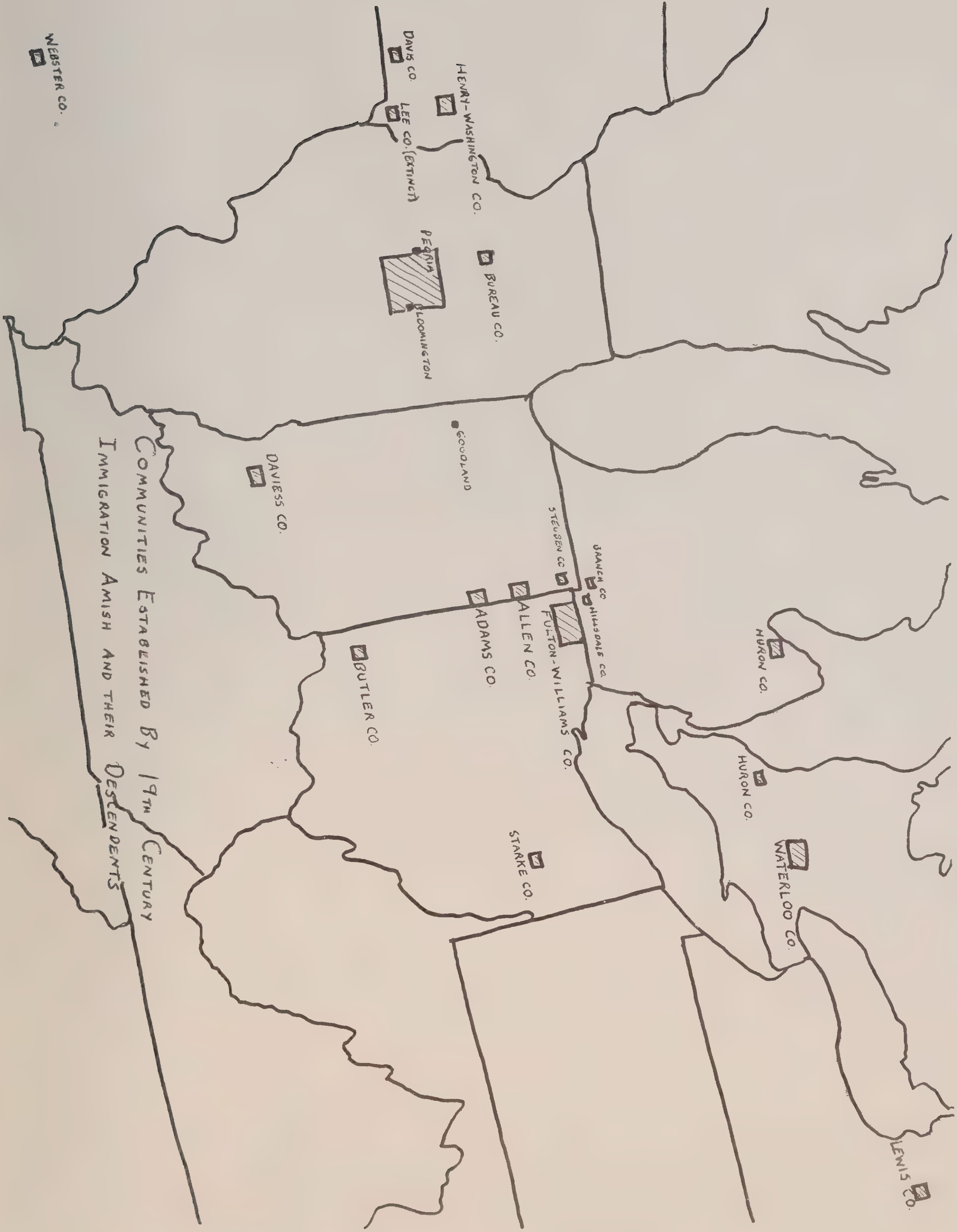
As early as the 1860's a few Amish Mennonite congregations were manifested to be more progressive than the other churches. The Butler County, Ohio community was divided into three congregations by the mid 19th century. The original Alsatian Amish were joined by immigrants from Hesse in the 1830's. These Hessians are often referred to as Mennonites but they were actually Amish, but very progressive Amish. At first the Hessians worshipped with the Alsatians but later established their own church. Hessian Amish from this community established the Danvers Church in Illinois (merged with North Danvers). The original Butler County Church was referred to as the Augspurger group after one of its prominent leaders. Both the Augspurger and the Hessian Church sent representatives to the early Amish Ministers' Conferences. The Hessian Church was known to tolerate musical instruments, photographs, and secret societies (Masons etc.) as early as 1862. The Butler County Churches gradually severed relationships with the Amish Mennonites and did not unite with any of the regional conferences when they were formed. In 1897 the Hessian and Augspurger churches (now known as the Apostolic and Trenton congregations) and presumably a small schism from the Augspurger church which originated in 1834, united in one body; the Apostolic Mennonite Church (not connected with the Apostolic Christian Church). This church became affiliated with the General Conference Mennonite Church.

The Amish of David County, Iowa (Pulaski) also chose a progressive road. In the 1860's all dress standards had been dropped, and later on feet washing and the prayer covering were ceased to be observed. The Pulaski Church joined with the General Conference Mennonite Church.

The Washington County, Iowa Amish district under the leadership of Benjamin Eicher severed fellowship with the Jenry County district in 1874. The Eicher Church followed much the same course as the groups in Davis County and Butler County and affiliated with the General Conference Mennonites.

Central Illinois became the scene of serious division in 1872. Joseph Stuckey of the Rock Creek Church refused to excommunicate a member who advocated universalism (all mankind will be saved). Stuckey was declared out of fellowship with the Amish Mennonites. The Rock Creek Church (later North Danvers) and two other congregations followed Stuckey and established themselves as independent churches. It might be noted that the Rock Creek Church was established by Amish from Mifflin County and Union County, Pennsylvania and was known as the Yoder Church in its early years. Presumably many 19th century immigrants affiliated with this church including Joseph Stuckey who was born in Alsace in 1825. The Stuckey Amish gained followers in other areas and many new congregations were established by the original churches. The Stuckey churches united formally into the Central Illinois Mennonite Conference in 1907 (later known as simply Central Conference) and had held annual ministers meetings since 1899. The Central Conference joined the General Conference Mennonite Church in 1945.

Henry Egli withdrew from the Amish church of Adams County, Indiana in 1864. Egli advocated a reform in certain areas of belief and practice including dress. "Egli Amish" churches were also organized on Allen County, Central Illinois, and Fulton County in the 1860's. Egli's followers officially adopted the name Defenceless Mennonite Church in 1908. In 1948 the name was changed to the Evangelical Mennonite Church (there are other denominations with similar names). In the beginning the Egli people were very conservative, but gradually through the years most of the distinctly Amish or Mennonite practices were completely lost. Today the Evangelical Mennonite Church would have more in common with the general run of fundamental Protestants than her Amish and Mennonite relatives.



COMMUNITIES ESTABLISHED BY 19TH CENTURY IMMIGRATION AMISH AND THEIR DESCENDENTS

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The Egli Amish experienced a division within their own ranks in 1898. A minister named J. E. Ramseyer began to advocate immersion baptism and the doctrine of complete sanctification. These issues along with an intense evangelical zeal caused Ramseyer and his followers to leave the Egli church and form their own organization which was called the Missionary Church Association. Interestingly enough the official conference minutes of this group were written in German for the first several years of the 20th century. Elements of non-Amish background joined the Missionary Church Association over the years and the church has chosen not to identify with the Amish or Mennonites. Those individual congregations which originally seperated from the various Egli churches can be considered of Amish lineage but most others cannot. Only in the extended sense of the word can this group be considered Mennonite much less Amish. In 1968 the Missionary Church Association merged with the United Missionary Church (of Mennonite origin) to form the Missionary Church.

During the last two decades of the 19th century many residents of the long established communities which were mentioned ventured out to new areas. Egli Amish settled in Sterling, Kansas in 1880. Stuckey Amish established communities at Aurora, Nebraska in 1885, Columbus, Kansas in 1892, and Goodland, Indiana in 1895. Amish Mennonites from central Illinois founded the settlement at Manson, Iowa in 1892. The community in Huron County, Michigan was formed in 1900 by families from Lewis County, New York and Waterloo County, Ontario. This church became a member of the Conservative Mennonite Conference. Several other communities were formed either wholly or partly by the 19th century immigration Amish, but these either became extinct or were absorbed by other ethnic and religious groups.

The different divisions and movements mentioned so far were ones affecting many different churches in the various communities. The Amish churches of 19th century immigration backgroung have also been affected by smaller divisions in which dissident groups withdrew from a larger body and either affiliated with another already established group or formed independent congregations. There have been some cases in which schismatic groups have exactly the same affiliation as the mother churches but these divisions are hard to trace and will not be mentioned here because of incomplete information.

In 1858 a group of Amish from Fulton County, Ohio organized a congregation belonging to the Church of God in Christ Mennonite (Holdeman). In the same community the Amish formed a Reformed Mennonite Church in 1865. Both the Holdeman and the Reformed Mennonite Churches are overwhelmingly non-Amish in background. In 1893 a group withdrew from the East Washington (Calvary) Central Conference Church over the issue of retaining the German language. The advocates of German organized the South Washington Mennonite Church which reunited with the Calvary Church after the German language ceased to be an issue. The Mornington Amish Church was organized in 1903 by conservative members of the large Mornington (Poole) Amish Mennonite Church of Waterloo County, Ontario. In 1904 a body withdrew from the Roanoake Amish Mennonite Church and formed the Linn Amish Mennonite Church. The Linn Church associated with the John D. Kauffman (Sleeping Preacher) congregation at Shelbyville, Illinois, and is the most conservative church in the Bloomington-Peoria area of Illinois. The Zurich Mennonite Church (Ontario Conference) was established by members of the Blake Amish Mennonite Church of Huron County, Ontario in 1908. In 1911 the Cedar Grove Amish Church was organized by former members of the Mapleview Amish Mennonite Church of Waterloo County, Ontario. The Cedar Grove and Mornington Churches of Ontario were for many years considered Old Order Amish although they both used meeting houses. Sometime in the 1950's these two congregations adopted the use of the automobile and now are considered Beachy Amish, although among the most conservative Beachys. Sometime early in the 20th century the Reformed Amish Christian Church was organized in Adams County, Indiana. This small group disbanded in 1952. The Berea Menmonite Church was formed by a group of Amish in Daviess County, Indiana about 1920. This church is now a member of the Indiana-Michigan Mennonite Conference. A split in the Old Order Amish Church of Defiance County, Ohio (not a 19th century immigration community) occurred in 1921. Later this church, Cuba Conservative Mennonite was moved to Allen County, Indiana and received many members from the Old Order Amish of that area. The East White Oak Central Conference Church of Illinois became an independent congregation in 1934 and did not join the General Conference Mennonites as the other Stuckey churches did later. In 1941 progressive members of the Lowville-Croghan Church of Lewis County, New York formed the Breman Mennonite Church which is now a member of the Ohio and Eastern Conference. The Lengacher Church was organized in 1943 in Allen County, Indiana by a bishop of the King Church of Hartville, Ohio. The Lengachers were probably considered Old Order Amish until recently and now are similar to the Beachy Amish. The name Ridgeview Amish Mennonite was adopted by the Lengacher group a few years ago. A Beachy Amish church was established in Daviess County, Indiana in 1948, called Odon. The Beachy Amish often use the name Amish Mennonite now since no other groups now use the title. The Christian Mission Church was established by the Conservative Conference in Adams County, Indiana in 1954. A few Adams County Amish have probably joined this church. In 1956 conservative members from the Riverdale Amish Mennonite Church of Waterloo County, Ontario withdrew and formed the Bethal Conservative Church which is part of the Conservative Mennonite Fellowship (non-conference). The Pleasant View Conservative Mennonite Church of Daviess County, Indiana was established in 1957 and also associates with the Conservative Mennonite Fellowship. Also in the Daviess County area the Believers Fellowship Church was organized in the 1960's. This church is associated with the Fellowship Beachy Amish (Shetler) of Holmes County, Ohio. In the late 1960's there was a division in the Cuba Conservative Conference Church of Allen County, Indiana (mentioned earlier). The withdrawing members formed the Central Mennonite Church of the Indiana-Michigan Conference. Apparently the Anchor, Illinois and the Aurora, Nebraska churches (formerly Central Conference) have withdrawn from the General Conference Mennonites since they are no longer listed in the Handbook of Information. Within the last two years the Salem Fellowship Church was established in Waterloo County, Ontario with members coming from the local Beachy churches. Salem is associated with the Fellowship Beachy Churches.

Over the years the Amish of 19th century immigration background have lost meny members to churches of entirely non-Anabaptist origin. It would be impractical to mention all of the denominations which have prosylitized the Amish we are studying. One group, however, has had such a profound effect upon the late coming Amish that this article would not be complete without making mention of them. In the 1830's a former Swiss Reformed minister named Samuel Fröhlich gained a following from his old church and from the Mennonite Church in Switzerland. The new organization was called the Gemeinschaft Evangelisch Taufgesinnter or commonly Neutaufer. Fröhlich's followers adopted the name Apostolic Christian Church in America. From their very first arrival in the United States the Apostolic Christians have prosylited the 19th century immigration Amish. Churches were established in Lewis County, New York; central Illinois; Davis County, Iowa; and asjacent to Adams County, Indiana. The Apostolic Christians drew many members from the Amish Mennonites of central Illinois that the group os commonly known as the New Amish Church (no connection with the New Order Amish). The Apostolic Christian Church shares the doctrine of non-resistance and the women's head veiling with the Mennonites. This church has traditionally been very exclusive in its dealings with other denominations. In central Illinois, the group's stronghold, at least three different divisions are present.

Within the last several decades the Old Order Amish of 19th century immigration background have established several small settlements as daughter colonies. The Amish districts in Steuben County, Indiana (Hamilton); Hillsdale County, Michigan (Canden); and Branch County, Michigan (California) were settled primarily by Amish from Allen, Adams, and Daviess Counties, Indiana. The last settlement named was started in 1960. Information concerning the first named communities was either not found or conflicting. Adams County Amish located in Webster County, Missouri (Seymour) in 1968. Other communities have been founded by the late arrival Amish but have become extinct, and there are probably some small, recent communities that the author does not know about.

We have seen how the Amish coming to this country in the 19th century established themselves in various parts of North America and how they fragmented into a large number of different groups. We might categorize the various groups according to their conservatism. The Missionary Church, The General Conference Mennonite Church, and the Evangelical Mennonite Church along with a few independent congregations mentioned in this study have lost all but a very few Amish characteristics. The congregations belonging to the Mennonite Church (Ohio & Eastern, Illinois, Iowa-Nebraska, Indiana-Michigan, and Ontario Conferences) have retained only a very few vestiges of Amish practice. The Conservative Mennonite Conference and the Western Ontario Mennonite Conference are slightly more conservative than the Mennonite Church in general but are losing out to worldly trends. The Conservative Mennonite Fellowship is very active in promoting the scriptural, conservative practices of the Amish and Mennonites. The reformed Mennonites and the Church of God in Christ Mennonites are quite conservative but the characteristics of the Amish faith have been replaced by the unique practices of the respective groups. The Kauffman Amish Mennonites have retained the teachings of their forefathers to a large degree as have the Beachy Amish and associated groups. The Old Order Amish of 19th century immigration background are notable in their retainment of the old ways, and in some respects are more conservative than the other Old Order Amish, generally speaking. It must be made clear that all of the groups mentioned are not completely made up of the descendents of Amish coming to this country in the 19th century, only the individual churches in the localities mentioned have this distinction and of course there has been much intermarriage between the different groups over the years.

NOTE: The author would welcome very much corrections and additional information concerning this article. It is realized that some of the dates used are in conflict with some sources of information. The dates that seemed to be the most logical were used in most cases.

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Beatitudes for the Friends of the Aged

Blessed are they who understand
 my faltering steps and shaking hand.
Blessed are they who know that my ears today
 must strain to catch the words they say.
Blessed are they who seem to know
 that my eyes are dim and my wits are slow.
Blessed are they who look away
 when the coffee is spilled today.
Blessed are they with a cheery smile
 who stop in to chat awhile.
Blessed are they who never say
 you've told that story twice today.
Blessed are they who know the ways
 to bring back the lovely yesterdays.
Blessed are they who make it known
 that I am loved--not left alone.
Blessed are they who know the loss
 of strength I need to bear the cross.
Blessed are they who ease the days
 on my journey home in so many ways.

THOSE WHO CAME LAST

The 19th Century Immigration Amish

by Stephen Scott

All of the religious bodies of North America which trace their beginning to the European Anabaptists may be divided into several different groups based upon the country of their origin and the date of their arrival in North America. The Amish can be divided into two large segments: those who immigrated to America in the 18th century and those arriving after the Napoleonic Wars in the 19th century. The subject of this study is the history of those churches which trace their ancestry to the Amish who came to North America in the 1819-1870 period.

As is well known the first Amish to settle in the New World established themselves first in Pennsylvania and then spread out to the west. Those Amish who immigrated to America first came largely from the Palatinate region of Germany and from Switzerland.

In 1820 the Amish communities of Lancaster County, Mifflin County, Somerset County, and the Holmes-Wayne-Tuscarawas County area were already established on the American frontier. About this time a new wave of immigration from Europe began. These late comers originated primarily from Alsace and to a lesser extent Lorraine, Montbeliard, Bavaria, Hesse, Switzerland, and a few other areas. Many of the new arrivals settled in the previously established communities especially Somerset and Wayne, and have become absorbed into the Amish and Mennonite populace of these areas. The main concern of this paper is the Amish who came to America in the 19th century and established their own settlements.

The state of Ohio became the site of the first two 19th century immigration Amish settlements. Butler County was the home of Alsatian Amish as early as 1819, and is credited to be the first exclusively 19th century immigration Amish community in America. Starke County, Ohio (the Louisville area not to be confused with the later Hartville community) was also settled by Alsation Amish beginning in 1819. These two locations became the stopping off places for many westward moving Amish who crossed the Atlantic during the 19th century.

Starting in the late 1820's and extending into the 1850's the Amish arrived in America in large numbers and established themselves in many locations. In the Waterloo County, Ontario area the subjects of our study first arrived about 1826. The largest concentration of the descendents of the Amish arriving in the last century may be found in Illinois. The first Alsatian settlers came to this area beginning in 1829 and continued to establish themselves in various locations in the Bloomington-Peoria region through the 1830's. A group of Amish closely related to those in Ontario came to Lewis County, New York starting in 1833. The large Amish community in Fulton County, Ohio began in 1834. Amish from Bavaria settled in Bureau County, Illinois in 1835. The first Amish to arrive in the state of Iowa came to Lee County about 1839. A settlement began about 1843 in Jefferson County, Iowa, but later became primarily located in Henry and Washington Counties. A church was established in Huron County, Ontario in 1848; an outgrowth of the Waterloo County community. When the first Amish arrived in Adams County, Indiana is uncertain, but judging from a few clues it was probably sometime in the 1840's. The Amish established themselves in Allen County, Indiana around 1852. David County, Iowa became the location for an Amish community about 1854. The Daviess County, Indiana settlement began about 1868.

The fourteen areas mentioned above are the first communities established primarily by the Amish coming directly from Europe in the 19th century. Perhaps the reader was not aware that Amish churches ever existed in many of the locations listed. Only one of the communites became extinct, and that was the Lee County, Iowa settlement. The other thirteen communities still survive, but, in many cases, the descendents of the original settlers have largely lost their Amish identity.

In 1854 the Amish of North America were fairly well one body. Even at this early date there was probably a good deal of variation from one community to the next. Generally speaking, most of the Amish coming to America in the 19th century were somewhat more progressive than brethren who came in the previous century.

Beginning in 1854 in the Elkhart-LaGrange community and continuing into the 1880's, various divisions occurred in the Amish churches. The Amish became seperated into two groups: the progressive Amish Mennonites (not to be confused with the Beachy Amish who developed much later) and the conservative Old Order Amish. The Amish Ministers' Conferences (Diener Versammlungen) of the 1860's and 1870's were an effort to iron out the differences between the two factions, but this goal was never reached.

Amish Mennonite-Old Order Amish devisions affected only three of the communities we are concerned with. The Allen

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LANCASTER CO.,PA. WOMAN FOUND DEAD IN BED

Susie D. Peachey, 53, wife of Joseph H. Peachey, Ronks R1, Pa. died Wednesday, April 21 at 5:30 a.m. at her home. She had been under the care of a physician. Susie was working out most of the day on Tuesday, planting pansies and digging flower beds with no thought of it being her last day on earth. Went to bed with no complaint. Joe got up as usual in the morning, called her but she made no answer. She had peacefully fallen into eternal rest. Born in Salisbury Twp. she was a daughter of the late Gideon and Nancy (Diener) Riehl. In addition to her husband she is survived by a son, Leon R., at home, and these brothers and sisters, Aaron Riehl, Ronks R1; Ephraim Riehl, Leola R1; Levi Riehl; Rachel, wife of Ben Petersheim; Lena, wife of David Flaud, all of Honey Brook R1, and Katie, wife of Joseph Coblentz, Parkesburg R1. Funeral services were held at the home of David Z. Beiler, Ronks R1, by Jacob K. Zook and Christian F. Glick; Hymn read by Elam S. Zook; Burial at Millwood.

OHIO WOMAN DIED FOLLOWING HEART ATTACK

Katie S. Hershberger, 48, of Baltic R1, died at 4:30 p.m. Friday, April 23, at the Ira E. Conkle residence following an apparent heart attack. She was born April 25, 1922, in Holmes County to Samuel E. and Malinda (Miller) Hershberger. Surviving are: two brothers, Moses S. of Millersburg R3, and Eli S. of Middlefield R1; five sisters, Mrs. Abe J. Troyer of Ashland R1, Mrs. Mike Troyer and Mrs. Sam Mullet, both of Middlefield R1, Mrs. Jacob S. Miller of Huntsburg R1, and Mrs. Joe J. Weaver of Millersburg R2; nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents. Her father died on March 29, 1971; also preceding in death were two brothers and two sisters. Funeral services were held at the Sam M. Miller residence by Bishop Joe J. Yoder and Roy A. Wengerd; Burial in Miller Cemetery, Hardy Twp.

OHIO FARMER FOUND IN BASEMENT

Alvin N. Yoder, 57, of Dundee R2, Ohio was found early Thursday morning, April 29 in the basement of his home. He had been in ill health. The coroner ruled Mr. Yoder took his own life by hanging. He was born in Holmes County to the late Nicholas D. and Elizabeth (Yoder) Yoder and was a retired farmer. He is survived by his wife, Susie (Mast) Yoder; 4 daughters, Mrs. Levi V. (Katie) Raber and Mrs. Roy O. (Lizzie) Keim, both of Millersburg R4, Mrs. Melvin H. (Anna) Miller of Mt. Hope, Mrs. John V.J. (Mattie) Erb of Millersburg R3; four sons, Van A., Jake A. and Henry A., all of Dundee R2 and Andy A. of Sugarcreek; 2 sisters, Mrs. Jacob S. Miller of Holmesville R1 and Mrs. Homer Wengerd of Millersburg Star Route; three brothers, Dan N. of Orrville R1, Henry N. of Winesburg and Oren N. of Dundee R2; 23 grandchildren. Two sisters and a brother preceded him in death. Funeral services were held at the residence by Bishop Jonas N. Bontrager; Burial was in Miller Cemetery.

ADAMS COUNTY, INDIANA FIRE

The Andrew Shetler home, Monroe R1, Indiana was badly damaged by fire, March 30. The fire is believed to have started around the chimney and the origin to have been a heating stove. Several neighbors quickly gathered and practically all the household goods, furniture, clothes and other articles were carried outside. A unique situation at the Shetler home is that the family has a new home located nearby under construction but not finished.

PA. MAN HAS BROKEN NECK

John L. Fisher, aged 50 years, of Honey Brook R1, Pa. met with an accident Wednesday, April 21, while chopping corn fodder. He is in the Lancaster General Hospital's Intensive Care Unit with a broken neck. He has a weight on his head and the doctor says he will have to be in traction for at least 6 weeks.

"Lasset die Kindlein zu mir kommen".. Mark 10:14

BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania
Esh, David L. (Annie Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1, a daughter SARAH S., April 22
Esh, Henry (Katie Lapp) Intercourse, a son AMOS, April 10
Esh, Samuel J. (Malinda K. Fisher) Ronks R1, a daughter SADIE F., April 24
Fisher, Reuben B. (Emma Stoltzfus) Paradise R1, a daughter, April 2
Glick, Daniel Z. (Sarah F. Stoltzfus) Leola R1, a daughter MALINDA, April 10
Glick, Elam (Emma Lapp) 1760 Rockvale Rd., Lancaster, a son, SAMUEL, April 30
Glick, Enos S. (Rachel K. Fisher) New Providence R1, a daughter REBECCA, April 12
Glick, John I. (Lydia S. Stoltzfus) New Holland R1, a daughter SARAH S., April 16
Glick, Jonas S. (Lydia Kauffman) Bird-in-Hand R1, a daughter REBECCA, April 21
Glick, Levi E. (Susie G. Speicher) 2061 Jarvis Rd., Lancaster, a son LEVI E. JR., March 30
King, Benuel (Sylvia Fisher) 382 Gridley Rd., Lancaster, a daughter RUTH, April 21
King, Christian Z. (Fannie B. Fisher) Ronks R1, a daughter KATIE F., April 7
King, Isaac (Hannah Lapp) 1404 Houser Rd., Lancaster, twins SAMUEL & SARAH, April 2
King, John S. (Fannie L. King) Paradise R1, a son LEVI K., April 13
King, Samuel S. (Mary Ann Stoltzfus) Elverson R2, a son CHESTER, April 18
Lapp, Daniel E. (Lydia K. King) 1250 Penn Grant Rd., Lancaster, a son ELMER K., April 7
Lapp, David S. (Lydia S. Lapp) Belmont Rd., Paradise R1, a son JOHN J., April 21
Lapp, Elmer L. (Sadie Lapp) 239A W. Main St., Leola, a daughter, April 9
Lapp, Joseph S. (Fannie S. Kauffman) Ronks R1, a daughter LAVINA, April 16
Miller, Enos K. (Rebecca Fisher) Paradise R1, a daughter SARAH ANN, April 9
Smucker, Aquilla (Rachel Kauffman) Bird-in-Hand R1, a daughter SARA K., April 30
Stoltzfus, Abram B. (Katie Lapp) Oxford R1, a son ANDREW LEE, April 4
Stoltzfus Amos K. (Sadie Fisher) Gordonville R1, a daughter KATIE ANN, April 9
Stoltzfus, Benuel F. (Lizzie F. Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1, a daughter SUSIE S., April 4
Stoltzfus Daniel (Malinda Fisher) Honey Brook R2, a daughter SYLVIA, April 18
Stoltzfus, Henry F. (Rebecca L. Stoltzfus) Lititz R2, a son SAMUEL, April 14
Stoltzfus, Henry L. (Lydia Petersheim) Gordonville R1, a daughter AMANDA P., April 27
Stoltzfus, Leroy (Naomi Stoltzfoos) Gap R1, a son LEROY MARK, April 1
Stoltzfus, Levi E. (Barbara Fisher) Honey Brook R1, a son OMAR, April 13
Stoltzfus, Levi M. (Lizzie K. Esh) 31 E. Eby, Leola, a son AARON, April 7
Zook, Daniel S. (Malinda Beiler) Gordonville R1, a son DAVID NATHANIEL, April 28
Zook, Samuel S. (Mary Stoltzfoos) 474 Mt. Sidney Rd., Lancaster, a son MOSES, April 11

Juniata County, Pennsylvania
Kanagy, Sam R. (Ada Wengerd) a son DANIEL, April 9
Petersheim, Jonas F. (Susie Yoder) a daughter EMMA, April 3
Renno, Pre. Abie S. (Malinda Peachey) a daughter ANNIE, April 5

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania
Yoder, Joseph (Fannie Peachey) Belleville, a son AMOS, March 28

Holmes County, Ohio
Beachy, Mr. and Mrs. James R., Sugarcreek R2, a daughter, April 24
Kauffman, Mr. and Mrs. Abe, Millersburg R5, a daughter, April 25
Hochstetler, Mr. and Mrs. Eli M., Millersburg R5, a son, April 18
Hostetler, Mr. and Mrs. Robert, Holmesville, a daughter, April 22
Mast, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry L., Millersburg R5, a daughter, April 20
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Eli, Fredericksburg, a daughter, April 5
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin M., Millersburg R5, a daughter, April 2
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Orie S., Trail, a son, April 10
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen, Millersburg R5, a son, April 3
Raber, Mr. and Mrs. Crist L., Baltic R1, a daughter, April 4
Raber, Mr. and Mrs. Levi V., Millersburg R4, a son, April 25
Troyer, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J., Apple Creek R1, a son JOHN, April
Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Emery W., Apple Creek R2, a daughter MARY ANN, April
Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Paul M., Fredericksburg R1, a daughter, April 27
Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Roy D., Fredericksburg R2, a son MARK, April 6
Yutzy, Mr. and Mrs. Eli M. Yutzy, Dundee R1, a son, April 23

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Hostetler, Sam (Sallie Stoltzfus) Charlotte Hall, a son JOHN, April 27
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Christner, Sam J. (Emma Girod) Berne R1, a daughter, March 25
Eicher, Ben A. (Lydia Troyer) Berne R1, a daughter ELIZABETH, March 7
Girod, Emanuel (Leah Graber) Berne R1, a daughter MARTHA, March 3
Hilty, Joe L. (Mary Ann Wickey) Berne R1, a daughter LUCY, March 28
Neuenschwander, Chris J. (Anna Schwartz) Berne R1, a son AMOS, March 23
Schmidt, Moses (Christine Wickey) Monroe R1, a son MOSE, March 4
Schwartz, Dan (Katie Wickey) Berne R1, a daughter EDNA, March 20
Wickey, Emanuel (Emma Yoder) Berne R1, a daughter, March 13
Wickey, Toby (Margaret Christner) Geneva R1, a son MONROE, March 28

Daviess County, Indiana
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Knepp, David (Naomi Wagler) a son NATHAN DALE, February 19
Stoll, John (Ida Mae Graber) a daughter MIRIAM, April 12
Stoll, Nickolas (Martha Wagler) a son PHILLIP, April 15
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Yoder, Milvin J. (Leanna Byler) Shipshewana R1, a son MERVIN M., March 31

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Buchanan County, Iowa
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Helmuth, Aden (Lizzann Mast) Hazleton, a son ALLEN, April 4
Yutzy, David (Katie Shetler) a daughter VERBA, April 9

Aylmer, Ontario, Canada
Fehr, Diedrich (Wilma Marner) a son JOHN, April 8
Stoll, Elmo (Elizabeth Miller) a son KALAP, April 23
Wagler, Edwin (Catherine Wagler) a son AMOS, April 22

OBITUARIES

Nissley, Emma, 90, of Topeka R2, Indiana
died Monday at 11:10 a.m. at her home. She had been bedfast the last two months. She came to Topeka 28 years ago from Nappanee. She was born in Holmes County, Ohio, December 24, 1880, the daughter of Mose and Katie (Yoder) Hochstetler. She was married in 1900, to Daniel Miller, who preceded her in death in 1925. In 1928 she married Abe Nissley, who also preceded her in death July 12, 1948. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Katie Christner of Topeka R2, Mrs. Jacob (Amanda) Mast of Nappanee and Mrs. Sylvester (Sylvia) Chupp of Goshen; six sons, Emanuel D. and John D. of Middlebury; Levi and Monroe of Goshen, Raymond of Millersburg and Herman of Wakarusa; 37 grandchildren and 77 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held by Bishop David Nissley; Burial was in the Weldy Cemetery, Nappanee.

Yoder, Mrs. Katie J., 85, of Millersburg R4, Ohio
died Tuesday evening, April 27 at her residence after a two-month illness. She was born in Holmes County to the late Jeremiah P. and Lydia (Troyer) Miller. Her husband, Jacob D. Yoder, died in 1959. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Albert A. (Mahala) Swartzentruber of Millersburg R2 and Mrs. Davis S. (Lydia) Yoder of Millersburg R2; three sons, Mose J. of Fredericksburg R1, Jonas J. of Charm and Albert J. of the home; 21 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; Two sons, five sisters and four brothers died previously. Funeral services were held by Bishop Andy J. Troyer; Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery, Berlin Twp.

Wickey, Emma of Adams County, Indiana
was stillborn on March 31 to Jacob and Rosina (Schwartz) Wickey. The parents, four brothers and four sisters survive. Burial was in Bunker Hill Cemetery

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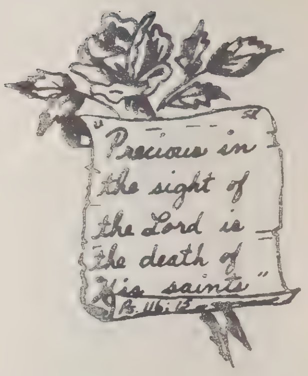
"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints"
Ps. 116:15

Brenneman, Mrs. Lewis (Katie Hochstedler) aged 72 of Johnson Co. Iowa

died April 27 of cancer. Surviving are 2 sons, Paul and Raymond both of Kalona R1, and 8 grandchildren. Her husband passed away on January 12 of a heart attack. Funeral services were held by Bishop Truman Miller; Burial in the Dan Gingerich Cemetery beside her husband.

Hershberger, Peter I., 80, of Holmesville R1, Ohio

died April 20 in Sunset Hills Nursing Home. His wife, Catherine (Miller) Hershberger, died in 1948. He also was preceded in death by his parents, Isaac and Susanna (Schlabach) Hershberger; four brothers and three sisters. Surviving are a daughter, Mary Mae, of the home and a son, Wyman of Massilon. Funeral services were held in the Emanuel J. Hershberger residence by Bishop Jacob Mast; Burial was in the Hershberger Cemetery.

Hochstetler, Elsie, aged 4 years of Fredericksburg R1, Ohio

died Monday morning, April 12 at Pomerene Hospital following a short illness. She was born February 1, 1967, at Millersburg, to Raymond E. and Susie (Miller) Hochstetler. She is survived by her parents; three brothers, Ivan, Freeman and Jonas; a sister, Barbara Ann, all of the home; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli E. Hochstetler of Fredericksburg R2 and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi H. Miller, Millersburg R3. Funeral services were held at the Jacob J. Miller residence by Jacob Mast; Burial in Hershberger Cem.

Mast, Mrs. Annie (Miller) Mast, 67, of Apple Creek R2, Ohio

died Saturday, April 10, at the residence following a long illness. Surviving are her husband, Eli D. Mast; a daughter, Ella; and a son, Demas, of the home; three sisters, Mrs. Jonas I. Miller of Dover, Del., Mrs. Andrew Gingerich of Fredericksburg and Mrs. Melvin D. Miller of Holmesville; three brothers, Emanuel Miller of Massilon and Abe and Abner Miller of Conewango Valley, N. Y.; and four grandchildren. Burial was in Yoder Cemetery.

Mast, Levi S., 81, of Fredericksburg,R2, Ohio

died at his home Friday,morning, April 16. Surviving are his wife, Mary; six daughters, Mrs. Jonas E. (Sarah) Schlabach and Mrs. Joel (Susie) Helmuth, both of Fredericksburg R2; Mrs. Albert (Verna) Raber of Millersburg R2; Mattie, Barbara and Mary of the home; two sons, Emanuel of Apple Creek R2 and Sam of the home. Also, five brothers, Henry of Dover, Del., Andrew of Independence, Iowa, Sam of Sterling, Ontario, Canada, Eli of Sugarcreek and Daniel of Benton; two sisters, Mrs. Eli Raber of Millersburg R5 and Mrs. E.K. Troyer of Fredericksburg R2; 39 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held by Bishop Levi J. Miller; Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

Miller, Ezra J., 74, of Johnson County, Iowa

died April 5 of an apparent heart attack. Surviving are his widow, 3 daughters, and 6 sons. Funeral services were held at the home of his son Joe by Bishop Levi Schrock and Pre. Sam D. Mast; Burial in the Peter Miller Cemetery

Smoker, Isaac E., 64, Gordonville R1, Pennsylvania

died at 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 27 at the age of 64 yrs., 2 mo., and 2 days. Eight months ago he broke his leg while helping with the horses. It didn't want to heal and he had other trouble so he went to the hospital for tests which showed he had cancer. He endured many hours of misery till finally he was called to rest. He was born in Lancaster County, a son of the late Elias and Barbara (Esh) Smoker. Surviving are his wife, the former Sarah Fisher; and these children: Amos F., Jonas F. and Lydia, wife of Isaac Zook all of Gordonville R1; Barbara, wife of Jacob Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R2; Lizzie, wife of David King, and Annie, wife of Amos King, both of Lancaster and 22 grandchildren. Also surviving are these brothers and sisters, Elam Smoker, Bird-in-Hand R1; Mrs. Barbara Stoltzfus, Sadie, wife of John M. Beiler, and Lydia, wife of John B. Stoltzfus, all of Ronks R1; Rachel, wife of David King; and Mrs. Annie Esh and Jonas Smoker, all of Gordonville R1. Funeral services were held by Benuel S. Fisher and John S. Fisher; Hymn read by Jonathan Z. Beiler; Burial was in the Gordonville Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, Infant twin sons of Menno and Emma (Flaud) Stoltzfus, Madisonburg, Pa.

On April 10 one was stillborn and one died soon after birth. Surviving are the parents and one brother, Christie, aged 6, three brothers and one sister died previously.

Stoltzfus, Mattie S., 77, widow of Abram F. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, Pa.

died at her home Saturday,morning, April 24. Death was unexpected, but she had been under the care of a physician. She was born in Leacock Twp., a daughter of the late Abraham S. and Lydia (Smoker) King. Surviving are the following children: Eli K. David K., Daniel F., Abraham K., all of Ronks R1; and Lydia, wife of David Renno, and Mrs. Rachel Kanagy, Mifflintown R2. Also surviving are 33 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, three sisters, Lydia, wife of Levi Lapp, Gordonville R1; Miss Emma S. King, and Suvilla, wife of Moses King Ronks. Burial was in Myers Cemetery.

Yoder, Mrs. Emanuel J. (Katie) Yoder, 82, of Baltic R1, Ohio
died Friday, April 9 in her home after a two week illness. Born near Walnut Creek, she was a daughter of Mose E. and Catherine (Miller) Beachy. Her husband died in 1960. Surviving are two daughters and seven sons, Mrs. Andy A. (Fannie) Hershberger of Lakeville R1, Mrs. Albert D. (Ella) Erb of R5 and Benjamin E. of R4, Millersburg. John E. of Fresno R3, Emanuel E. of Big Prairie, Andy E. of Baltic R1, Roman E. of Kenton R1, Henry E. of the home and Mose E. of Sugargrove, Pa., four sisters, Mrs. Eli M. Hershberger of Baltic R1, Mrs. Jacob P. Barkman of Sugarcreek R1, Mrs. Sam A. Yoder of Star Route and Mrs. Andy E. Burkholder of R5, Millersburg; a brother, John M. of Dover, Del.; 80 grandchildren and 67 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held by Bishop Dan N. Yoder; Burial was in the Crist Miller Cemetery in Clark Township.

Yoder, Deacon Benjamin E., 59, of Millersburg R4, Ohio
died Monday afternoon, April 26 in Pomerene Memorial Hospital, Millersburg, after suffering a heart attack five days previously. He was born in Holmes County to Emanuel J. and Katie (Beachy) Yoder. He is survived by his wife, Dena (Troyer) Yoder; four daughters, Mrs. Raymond M. (Ella) Troyer of Millersburg R4, Katie B. Yoder of the home, Mrs. Jonathan D. (Mary) Miller of Fresno R3, Mrs. Andy C. (Fannie) Yoder of Millersburg R4; a son, John B. Yoder of Millersburg R4; also, two sisters, Mrs. Albert D. (Ella) Erb of Millersburg R5 and Mrs. Andy A. (Fannie) Hershberger of Lakeville R1; six brothers, John E. of Fresno R3, Mose E. of Sugar Grove, Pa., Henry E. of Baltic R1, Roman E. of Kenton R1, Emanuel E. of Big Prairie and Andy E. of Baltic R1; 18 grandchildren. A daughter and a sister preceded him in death. Funeral services were held by Bishop Andy J. Yoder and Melvin A. Raber; Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery in Berlin Township.

MARRIAGES

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Aylmer, Ontario, Canada
David Luthy and Mary Stoll, married March 18, 1971

Buchanan County, Iowa
Sam Lehman, widower, and Fannie, daughter of Edd and Elizabeth Bontrager, Hazleton, married April 1st by Bishop Amos Lehman, Nappanee, Indiana

Johnson County, Iowa
Rudy, son of Linus and Mary (Chupp) Gingerich and Mary Ann, daughter of Jacob and Viola (Yoder) Schlabach, married April 22 by Bishop Jonas Yoder of Holmes Co. Ohio.
Alvin C., son of Chris Millers of Buchanan Co. and Anna, daughter of Ben L. and Sue (Miller) Yoder, published to be married in the near future.

Holmes County, Ohio
Firman, son of Monroe and Amanda Miller, Millersburg R5, and Ruth, daughter of Ben L. and Mattie (Miller) Raber, to be married May 13.
Mose, son of Jonas Yoders and Mary, daughter of Sam Troyers.
Noah, son of Neal M. Yoders and Elsie, daughter of Mrs. Jacob J. Coblentz.
April 26 - Edwin, son of Milt Troyer, Apple Creek, Ohio and
Mary, daughter of Monroe I. Masts, Wilmot, Ohio
April 26 - Andrew, son of Eli Raber, Millersburg Star Route, Ohio and
Edna, daughter of Raymond Miller, Mt. Hope, Ohio

Adams County, Indiana
February 25 - David I., son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan C. Schwartz, Geneva R2 and
Katherine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam E. Schwartz, Grabill

Daviess County, Indiana
Henry, son of Abraham and Viola Knepp and Pauline, daughter of Joel and Maggie Graber, married April 15 by Bishop Joe L. Graber.

LaGrange County, Indiana
Ray, son of Levi N. and Alice (Bontrager) Bontrager and Anna Mae, daughter of Levi S. and Ida (Wingard) Schrock, April 22

Uria Jay Miller of Centreville, Michigan and Mattie, daughter of Levi J. and Mary (Bontrager) Schrock, April 22

Ervin A., son of Amos R. and Wilma (Miller) Bontrager and Anna, daughter of Joe and Ella (Bontrager) Yoder, April 28

CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania by Levi L. Stoltzfus

The Bareville area has 2 inches of rain in April. The Fat Cattle Market topped $35.25 this week; Stockers and Feeders from 26. to 43. Cwt,; Veal, 52.; Lambs, 28.; Fat Hogs, 17. to 18.50 Cwt.; 40 lb. Shoats, 12. a piece; Cows sold at Green Dragon from 385. to 560. a head; Large Eggs, 35¢ a doz.; Ear Corn, 42. a Ton; 1.65 Bu.; Wheat, 1.65 Bu.; Barley, 1.25 Bu.; Oats, .95 Bu.; Hay from 25. to 69. a Ton; Straw, 42. to 46. a Ton;Potatoes from 2.30 to 3.00 Cwt. Bare land along the New Holland Railroad was sold for nearly seven thousand dollars an acre.

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by Elam S. Beiler

There were only a few days in this cool April that it was too wet to work in the fields. Plowing is mostly done and land worked down; 10% of corn is planted. Some cows are in the meadows, but pastures are short. Alfalfa and grass fields have 6 inches growth, wheat fields, 10 inches, rye and barley are considerably higher.

Centre County, Pennsylvania by Henry F. Beiler

We had some snow banks left beginning of April. The 28th we had thunder showers, about ¼ inch rain. That was about all the rain for April except for a few showers. It was getting dry to plow. Farmers were busy plowing and hauling manure through April. Oats is about all sowed. Pasture isn't getting green as fast as other years due to the dry weather. Garden things are slowly pushing through.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania by Sam M. Troyer

April was a dry and cool month. We had some days that seemed rainy, but on only two days did it rain enough to measure and each has only about ¼ inch. Sometimes the wild strawberries are in full bloom by the 10th but this year they are still not quite in full bloom by the end of the month.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania by David Y. Renno

The weather in Juniata County during April was dry, cold and windy. Total rainfall for the month was slightly more than one inch. Many cold and windy days followed a light shower. We had no measurable snowfall. The grass is green but did not grow much so we have no pasture by May 1. Fruit trees started blooming the 28th. It's too dry and hard to plow nice on stoney ground or in clay. Farmers got their oats sown early and are waiting for warmer weather to plant corn. It was very dusty to sow oats. Barn swallows arrived on April 21st and the cliff swallows on the 23rd. May 1st arrived clear and cold with a heavy frost.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania by Catherine Swarey

April started in cool. We had quite a bit of cool, cloudy, windy weather which seemed to dry out the ground. Garden things haven't grown very much yet. We had a few nice warm days when some children went barefoot. Some corn has been planted. We had a nice rain the last week of April, total for month was .6½ inch, also some snow flurries.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania by Abe S. Kinsinger

The weather is on the dry side, windy and cool. Oats is mostly sowed but cool and dry weather is keeping it from growing. Hog prices are still around .17.

St. Mary's County, Maryland by Amos R. Stoltzfus

April was wet the first week. Then we had a lot of windy days and it turned dry with no rain after the 7th except maybe 3/10 on the 17th and the 28th which soon dried off in the wind. We had excellent weather over Easter. It snowed awhile the 7th, then turned to rain. Farmers have started planting corn. Some garden things like Asparagus, radishes and lettuce are on the table menus. Some children are seen barefooted. The woods are green, purple martins are singing their nice notes and I heard a whip-poor-will early one morning. A lot of hay is being shipped in out of Pennsylvania. Hogs at Baltimore are $17. to 17.50; Corn is 1.90 per bushel, which leaves a slim margin.

olmes County, Ohio by David E. Miller

We are having dry and windy weather, also cold and frosty mornings. Oats is mostly all sowed and some corn is planted. Some farmers were waiting for rain to plant corn. Wheat fields have no growth that is noticeable and pasture is at a stand still. On the 20th the temperature was 70 but since it has been under 65. We had a little shower on the 28th, mostly scattered. On the 28th we had a hard frost with 25 degrees. Trees in the woods are not green yet. There is lots of sickness, measles, mumps, flu and many deaths.

by Mrs. Crist Petersheim

April goes out a dry month with lots of high winds, 25 degrees on April 27 was the coldest of the month. We had mostly sunny and cloudy days. Plowing is about done, oats is in the ground. Early birds have their corn planted but others are waiting for rain and warmer weather.

Daviess County, Indiana by Lester Marner

It has been unseasonable dry. There never was enough rainfall in April to stop farm work. Some farmers are finished planting corn by 1st of May. The pasture is very short for this time of year. The weather has been very cool although we haven't had any killing frosts in April.

Adams County, Indiana by Mary Ann Hilty

March was a cold month. What made the month seem so dismal was the fact that snow fell on no less than ten days, during the month, with a total of 8.4 inches. However, it always seemed to warm up after each snowfall and there was never snow on the ground for more than 3 days at a time. The coldest day was the 9th when it dropped to 16, the warmest day was the 31st with a nice balmy 69. There were 4 clear days, 22 partly cloudy, and five cloudy days. There was one thunderstorm.

Johnson County, Iowa by Eli S. Bontrager

We've had a very nice spring so far, a little on the dry side, but very nice to get around and do any field work. Have had 4 nice showers though lately. Oats are looking green. Corn ground is being prepared and several have started planting by the 26th.

Jamesport, Missouri by Amos W. Yoder

We had quite a few windy days in April until the 20th when an inch of rain fell, which was our 1st rain for this spring. We had another ½ inch the 24th. The soil works very nicely this spring. Lots of corn was planted the last half of April.

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(The following is from an old writing book in my possession. The first page is signed thus: "Lizzie Zook, Binkleys Bridge Po, Lancaster County, Penn, June 6th 1874" The account is obviously about a trip to Buffalo Valley but there is no indication who made the trip.)

Sara E. Fisher

May 21th 1881 - Arrived at Lewisburg at 3 o'clock went at Elias Reihls stayed there all night 22 - and then we went to susan stoltzfuss for dinner had a heavy rain at 3 o'clock went to Isaac Stoltzfuss for supper all night at simeon stoltzfus very foggy in the morning very pleasant through the day went to Christian Stoltzfus for dinner and for supper at Jacob Stoltzfus in the evening we went at Jonathan Stoltzfus and at Jacob Stoltzfus all night 23 - from there they took us to Joel Riehls for dinner to Sallie Reihls for supper and at Joe Zooks all night Tuesday 24 - stay there for dinner then Joe Zook took us at John Glicks for supper and all night wendsday 25 - then John Glick took us at middleburg station took the cars for Lewistown from there we took the cars for reedsville then we walked at John C. Hollys stayed there for supper at five o'clock we took the stage and went at old John Kauffmans stayed there all night Thursday 25 - And for dinner then they took us at Jacob pitcheys and at Joe Beilers for supper and Jonathan Kauffmans all night Friday 26 - then we went to Eli pitcheys and at Yost Yoders for dinner and supper at John Kauffmans all night Saturday 27 - they took us at Joseph Beilers for dinner and at Reuben Kauffmans for supper at Barbara Kauffmans all night sunday 28 - went to meeting at watch maker John Kauffmans and David Kauffmans for supper at John Kauffmans all night Monday 29 - John Kauffman went with us at Jacob Yoders for dinner then at Jephetha Hostetlers and at Jacob Zooks for supper all night Tuesday 31 - then we went at Solomon Peacheys for dinner and at John Peacheys for supper had a heavy rain in the evening went at Moses Peacheys all night Wendsday June 1st - then they took us at David Hostetlers for dinner and supper and Levi Detweilers all night rained in the evening thursday 2 - then we went at Christian Yoders for dinner and at Joe Beilers al night Friday 3 - at Isaac Yoders for dinner at Mattie Kings for supper at Christian Peacheys all night rainy Saturday 4 - then we went at widow Nancy Peacheys for dinner and at David Detweilers for supper and all night sunday 5 - went at the lower meeting house than at Enoch Zook and at Jonathan Kauffmans all night.

(The following are from a part of the book which was apparently an autograph book)

June 6th 1874 Remember me wen this you See. And absent from my Sight And i will do the Same to you with pleasure and delight Christian B. Lapp is my name Lancaster Count is my Station Leacock is my dwelling place And Christ is my Salvation

June 7th 1874 Since i have been last with you my friend Manny happy hours i have Spent. all i Said and all Done i want no harm I was all in fun Remember me when This you see whil i Am not where This Shall be Written by your true friend Rebecca E. Lapp Gordonville Po Lancaster Co Pennsy

I will leave here a little note that you may look upon and see my penmanship when i am dead and gone D M Stoltzfus Pequea Lancaster Co Pa

June 15th 1874 The rose is red The violet is blue My love to you Is very true Jacob M. Zook Binkleys bridge Lanc co

June th15 1874 The blessings I wish you I will tell In that future day with angels to dwell Where the blessings of joy and love. dwell with the bright angels above Lydia Zook Binkleys Bridge Lancaster Co Pa

Gott.. hat dich verordnet, das du seinen willen erkennen soltest.: Apost. 22:14

On April 5, 1971 the Lancaster County, Pennsylvania twice yearly Minister's Meeting was held at the home of Preacher Henry S. Fisher, Paradise R1, Pa.; attended by 187, 4 were absent.

ORDINATIONS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Jacob E. Fisher, 41, Quarryville R3, Pa. was ordained minister in the Georgetown-Northwest, Apr. 11. He is a son of Bishop Christian M. and Emma Fisher. His wife Sarah is a daughter of the late Isaac E. and Sarah Stoltzfus. With him in the lot were John B. Fisher, Daniel B. Fisher, John K. King, Joel K. Glick, John Lapp and Daniel Beiler.

Henry S. Fisher, 45, Paradise R1, Pa. was ordained bishop, April 12 in the Lower Pequea Kinzer district. He is a son of Henry and the late Sarah Fisher. His wife Sadie is a dau. of Annie and the late David Smucker. His brother Stephen was with him in the lot.

Sylvan F. Stoltzfus, 53, Gordonville R1, Pa. was ordained bishop, April 15 in the Upper Pequea - Soudersburg district. He is a son of the late Samuel L. and Salome Stoltzfus. His wife Mima is a daughter of the late John and Lizzie Stoltzfus. With him in the lot was Ephraim K. King.

Samuel S. Beiler, 27, Quarryville R3, Pa. was ordained minister, April 15 in the South West Georgetown district. He is a son of Deacon Benjamin F. and Naomi Beiler. His wife Sallie is a daughter of John M. and the late Fannie Glick. With him in the lot were John E. Fisher, John Lapp, Moses B. Glick, Benjamin E. King, and Levi F. Stoltzfoos.

John Miller, 24, was ordained minister, April 15 in the Southeast Millcreek district. He is a son of Daniel and Rachel Miller. His wife Katie is a daughter of John and Katie Stoltzfus. With him in the lot were Eli S. Miller Jacob E. Beiler, Benjamin Kauffman, Levi S. Stoltzfus, Daniel Miller, Jacob Miller, Christian Miller, Benjamin Esh, and Samuel Glick.

John E. Kauffman, 25, Christiana R1, Pa. was ordained deacon, April 16 in the Georgetown Northeast district. He is a son of Benjamin and Lizzie Kauffman. His wife Lavina is a daughter of Susie and the late John Lapp. With him in the lot were Isaac L. Beiler, Enos King, Isaac B. King, Samuel K. Stoltzfoos, and Ammon K. King.

Jacob F. Stoltzfoos, 33, Kinzers R1, Pa. was ordained minister, April 16 in the Lower Pequea - Millwood district. He is a son of Jacob and Katie Stoltzfoos, His wife Mary is a daughter of Stephen and Rebecca Beiler. With him in the lot were Christian K. King, Ira Stoltzfus, Jacob G. King, Jonathan B. King, Christian K. Blank, Ephraim H. Miller, David L. Zook, Jonas S. Fisher, Elam B. Stoltzfus, and Elam M. Stoltzfus.

Buchanan County, Iowa

Urie Gingerich was ordained deacon in Atlee Shetler district, April 25, 1971

Aylmer, Ontario, Canada

Elmo Stoll was ordained "Diener zum Buch" on April 12, 1971

BAPTISMS

Daviess County, Indiana

Southeast District, March 28 by Bishop Levi Graber
Pauline, daughter of Raymond Yoders and
Abraham, son of Pre. Levi J. Waglers

Southwest District, April 3 by Bishop Ben E. Wagler
Ernest, son of Pre. Alva Raber
Fannie Marie, daughter of Jerome Rabers
Rebecca, daughter of Bishop Ben E. Wagler

Johnson County, Iowa

Jonas Schlabach and Jacob Gingerich
April 18 by Truman Miller

ACCIDENT IN JOHNSON CO. IOWA

Marvin, son of Edwin Ray Millers had a runaway in a buggy, and was kicked in the abdomin by the horse. He was rushed to the hospital in Iowa City where his case was considered serious at first, but later reports were that he is getting better.

Der Herr ist mein Hirte., Ps. 23:1

Das letzte theil von der 1807 Ordnungs Brief.

7tens Wer einen Eid schwört wissentlich soll abgesondert werden von der Gemein. Wer aber schwört durch unwissenheit, der folgt die höchste bekenntniß.

8tens Vom Juri sitzen ist erkant worden das solches soll gar nicht bedient werden von Brüder in der Gemein.

9tens die neue hoche trachten in Röck, hosen. Hut und strobl in der Haaren und dergleichen. Welt trachten mehr, sollen in der Gemein gar nicht geduldet werden. Und zum beschluß sollen alle obgemeldten Artikel nach Christlicher ordnung und langmut beobachtet und gehandhabt werden, und unterschreiben von uns:

Michael Lapp. Christian Zug, Johannes Blank.
Joseph Kurtz, Christian Stoltzfus, Hannes Lapp,
David Joder, Peter Blank, Johannes Kinnig,
Christian Miller, Christian König, Christian Kützman,
Hannes Joder, Jacob Miller, Hannes Beiler,
Daniel Zug, Christian Joder.

From MENNONITE HISTORICAL BULLETIN, April, 1961

FOUNDING OF THE AMISH SETTLEMENT IN LAWRENCE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Soon after 1844 a new religious and industrial element appeared on the bounds of the congregation (Neshannock Presbyterian), when under the leadership of Mr. Abraham Zook a colony of Amish Mennonites was brought to Mercer County. (Lawrence County was formed from Mercer County.) In 1840 the Amish community in Lancaster and Mifflin counties, finding land expensive and themselves overcrowded, began seeking relief by removal to new regions. While some were interested in Western Pennsylvania, Mr. Zook made known his desires to his friend Mr. Joseph A. Bell of Belleville, Mifflin County. Mr. Bell advised him to go to Mercer County, and on May 9, 1844, gave him a letter of introduction to the Honorable James Banks, who in turn accompanied him over a large part of the best farming land in what later became Lawrence County. Mr. Banks was then a member of the Rich Hill Presbyterian church, but had been an Elder in the Neshannock church. Mr. Zook was delighted with his reception and began at once to make plans for his colony. As land became available his friends gradually followed him and soon made a strong settlement that continued to expand until it absorbed many of the finest of the Neshannock farms, greatly affecting the strength of the church. Among the first to arrive were Jacob and Daniel Byler, Adam Hostetler, and John Knepp, all from Mifflin County. The Rev. Shem King came a little later. At an early date they established a church for themselves with Rev. Shem King as pastor. Mr. King died on September 25, 1876, and his place was filled by Jonathan Lance (Lantz).

--Selected by Wilmer D. Swope from A History of the Neshennock Presbyterian Church by Johnson.

From MENNONITE HISTORICAL BULLETIN, January, 1964

AN OLD LETTER

Written by John Holly

(Following is a letter which was found in an old Bible, copied and translated by Dea. Joe E. Peachey. I thought it might be of interest to a number of Budget readers.

A copy of a letter from the original writing believed to be written by John Holley, 1805, with a free translation from the German script.)

Grace, peace, mercy from God our beloved Heavenly Father, and our Savior Jesus Christ.

Your letter I received in the fall and learned how it is with youns, it has pleased me dear friends. Herewith will I let you know how it is in America. My father, Andreas Holley has died quite a long time ago. I had one brother younger than I, he died single, one sister older than me, and leaves 2 children when she died, one step-sister died, no children.

My wife was from Germany, from Mimelgart, a Blank. We have eleven children, four have died. Three sons are married; two to Jacob Masts daughters. He is a Bishop. Four daughters married; one to a Gerber; two to Yoders; and one to Stephen Kurtz's daughter's son. Three daughters yet single and one son of 14 years. My mother also died long ago.

From your mother's brother, Stephen Kurtz, are two sons and four daughters. From Hans Kurtz are four sons and one daughter. My age is 64 years.

Dear friends, to answer your request, I know nothing different, we still stand in the true faith as we had in Germany, if (or as) it was lived with Orniah, then our Savior teaches, He that endureth to the end shall be saved. While the ways to be led astray are many.

Dear friends, I would have much to say, there are eleven churches in America, some are large and others small. I have lived forty seven miles from Philadelphia and we moved 120 miles out in the Kishacoquillas Valley and is now fourteen years and are two large churches here. There are others so 100 mile further three several mile is one and are three churches [this sentence is not quite clear and not finished]. There is much good land to settle upon, the acre from two dollars. It is not the half settled in America. We have a good privilege to live our faith without disturbance. We have good food, for this God be thanked. A bushel of wheat is not often under a dollar, the wages for a long day is one half dollar.

Dear friends, our young people increase fast, that after a while must be moved again. The land without settlement is very high, from 20 to 70 dollars an acre as it is near the sea, how high this land is.

Dear Friends, it has often wondered me how it is in Germany if I would not have anyone to support, the sea would not be too much for me to come and visit with youns. [the end of this writing.]

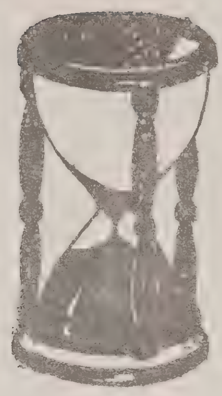
(This letter was written by John Holley. There is no date or name given, but by his age and records when he moved, this appears to have been written in the year 1805 to send to his friend in Germany, but for reasons unknown, he never finished it. Records indicate that this John Holley was born 1739, died Oct. 1805. He moved from Lancaster Co. to Mifflin Co., Brown Twp., Pa., in the year 1791. John was a minister and came with his father Andreas from Switzerland in the year 1751. See Mast family history, page 445, also Fisher history, page 611, for John Holley family record.)

Ezra Kanagy

Belleville, Pa.

The Budget, Nov. 14, 1963

The Hour Glass



FROM OUT OF THE PAST

80 Years Ago

DIPHTHERIA EPIDEMIC OF 1891

Israel, son of Benjamin and Lizzie Smoker died January 23, 1891, aged 4 years and 25 days.

Barbara, daughter of Abram and Lydia King died February 2, 1891, aged 6 years and 4 months.

Mikey, son of the same parents died February 8, aged 3 years and 5 months.

Joseph, son of Menno and Nancy Beiler died February 6, aged 5 years and 3 months.

Not knowing diphtheria to be so contagious some parents took their children along to the funeral. These three were cousins to Israel.

Katie, daughter of David and Nancy King died February 21, 1891, aged 2 years and 20 days.

John, son of the same parents died March 7, aged 17 years and 2 months.

Emma, daughter of Moses and Sarah Stoltzfus died March 15, aged 7 years and 11 months.

Samuel, son of the same parents died March 20, aged 5 years and 8 months.

These were all of the Millcreek area and died of diphtheria.

John, son of David and Mary Blank died March 30, aged 15 years and 9 months.

David, son of Abram and Susie Beiler died March 3, 1891

Benjamin, son of Samuel J. and Hannah Stoltzfus died May 31, aged 4 years.

Jacob, son of the same parents died June 1, 1891, aged 6 years.

The last two died of typhoid fever.

Malinda, daughter of Jacob and Sarah Zook died December 21, 1891, aged 4 years and 1 month.

Phares, son of the same parents died December 29, aged 6 years and 8 days.

Lizzie, daughter of Samuel and Barbara Beiler died January 11, 1891, aged 3 years and 8 days.

Amos, son of the same parents died January 11, 1892, aged 5 years and 3 months in Chester County.

Christian, son of John and Fannie Lapp died April 18, aged 18 years and 2 months.

Traditions say these last six died of diphtheria.

When my brother Joseph died the doctor ordered all bed clothes to be washed or burned. They hung his little hat high up on a rafter on the attic. There it was untouched for over five years. May 17, 1893, my brother Simeon was born. When he was three years old he always wanted to put Father's hat on when he come into the house. So they decided to get the little hat down from the attic. They thought no germs could be in it after five years of heat and cold up there. In three days Simeon went down with diphtheria, but he survived. The doctor thought that the germs must still have been in it. But it did not take long to dispose of that little hat.

Malinda E. Lapp

A HISTORICAL TOUR

On Tuesday, April 20, 1971 several members of THE DIARY staff with Christian J. Kurtz of Elverson, Pa. as driver started at 8 a.m. on a historical tour to Northern Lancaster, and Lebanon Counties. C. J. Kurtz has been collecting information on the Kurtz families for a number of years, and has some very interesting records of the early Kurtz families.

We headed north toward Ephrata on Route 322, and about midway between Ephrata and Lincoln there lies on the south side of the road a farm which at one time was a Shreiner farm which was formerly owned and occupied by a Jacob Kurtz family. The barn which belonged to the farm has been dismantled a few years ago, the land was sold off, and the old well-kept stone house is for sale again. Here Jacob Kurtz, born 1753, died 1832, and his wife, Barbara Kurtz, born 1762, died 1826, lived with their family. Jacob Kurtz was a son of Johannas and Elizabeth (Rickenbach) Kurtz. To the south of the main farm house there had been a right of way (but has surrendered itself to the plow) leading to a grave yard, which marks the burial site of some of our notable ancesters. This being about three hundred yards from the main dwellings, the plot is about fifty feet square and enclosed by a stone wall, although in a few places is broken down and in need of repair. However, the burial ground itself was not cleaned or taken care of for some years. It is grown up in trees, briers and thorns and infested with ground hog holes. The tombstones are mostly lying on the ground, but are easily read and at one time were set in concrete abutments, although some are broken and in need of repair. There lying on the ground is a stone with the inscription, Jacob Kurtz, died 1832. The descendants of this Jacob Kurtz are numerously scattered throughout Pennsylvania and the western states. The oldest son was Jacob Kurtz

Jr., born 1782. died 1853, married to Sarah Kurtz, a daughter of Abraham and Barbara (Ritter) Kurtz and were the great-grandparents of C. J. Kurtz of Elverson. Another son of the before mentioned Jacob Kurtz Sr. is Christian Kurtz, married to Catherine King, who moved to Upper Leacock Twp. and were the parents of five girls, namely: (1) Nancy Kurtz was the third wife of Pre. Jacob Stoltzfus of Lancaster County; (2) Elizabeth Kurtz married to Eli or Elias Stoltzfus, several of their grandchildren living are Moses King of Honey Brook and Elam A. Stoltzfus of White Horse; (3) Sallie Kurtz married to Christian Blank, most of their offspring are living in Chester County, Pa. (4) Catherine Kurtz married to Deacon Christian Stoltzfus of the Millcreek District, and was grandfather to the present Deacon Aaron F. Stoltzfus who lives on the same farm; (5) Mary Kurtz married to Isaac Mast of Morgantown.

From there we headed north to Lebanon County and while traveling north on Route 501 before coming to the town of Myerstown, about one half mile east on a township road, stands the Fairview Mennonite Church (Horning Mennonite) on ground which had belonged to the Christian Beiler family. The land had been purchased by Christian Beiler which consisted of over two hundred acres, but which is broken up into several farms. The farm to the east of the church is owned by John Jacob Zimmerman. The other farms are owned by the sons of the late Jonathan Miller, one of which is Hubert Miller, a man in his seventies. He took us to a spot along the road adjacent to the church ground on the east side, where he recalled of his boyhood days when herding cows in the field for his father. He would sit under the pine trees which surrounded the small burial plot. The trees have since been cut down, the tombstones destroyed, and the ground surrendered itself to the plow. Some of the older Beilers no longer living, one of which was Deacon Jonas Beiler of Ronks related that in his boyhood days he would look forward to making the trip to near Myerstown to clean the old Cemetery on the farm where the older Beilers vacated. It is hoped that in the near future a marker can be erected on this particular spot.

From there we traveled north to Myerstown and took Route 422 east toward Womelsdorf. A few short miles from Myerstown on the north side of the road lies a beautiful farm occupied at present by a family by the name of Paul Gingerich. This is the former Stephen Kurtz homestead, who came to this country in 1744. He very likely lived in Berks County before, for in his will he states that his plantation in Berks County is to be sold at public or private vendue, but the farm on which he lives is for his son Stephen. He purchased this farm of two hundred acres from George and Christianna Lesh from a former tract of one thousand acres, then being Heidelberg Twp., Lancaster County, Pa. (We will at this point mention that Heidelberg Twp. was in Lancaster County till 1785, at this time Dauphin County was organized and since then it belonged to Lebanon County.) This farm has been divided several times since and roadways were relocated. On the following page is a draft of the farm as it appeared in 1837, you will note the burial ground on the far corner of the farm, which we believe Stephen Kurtz so highly esteemed, and donated the ground to his successors. The plot is about fifty feet square and is in a very dilapidated condition, with tombstones broken and hardly any visible reading left. There were several generations of Stephen Kurtzes living on this farm, the last Kurtz living there was a certain Stephen Kurtz who sold out in 1837.

The readers of this article whould keep in mind that most of the Amish in Lancaster, Mifflin, and Lawrence Counties of Pennsylvania and throughout some of the western states can trace their ancestry back to the Stephen Kurtz of this place. He makes note in his will of his wife Veronica and son Stephen Kurtz, who was married to Veronica Hartzler was to have the farm, but by 1802 he was living in Mifflin County, Pa. The other children of Stephen Kurtz Sr. were Barbara Kurtz married to Christian Zug; Ann Kurtz married to Peter Benetum; Magdalena Kurtz married to Jacob Lantz of Caernarvon Twp.; Catherine Kurtz married to Christian King; Mary Kurtz married to Johannes Mast, and the youngest was Jacob Kurtz. Johannes Mast was a deacon of the Amish Church of the Conestoga Valley, a son of Bishop Jacob Mast of that place. Johannes Mast was the father of (1) Jacob Mast, who with his family moved to Holmes County, Ohio; (2) John Mast who moved to Baltimore County, Maryland; (3) David Mast, also Deacon, married Fanny Beiler; (4) Stephen Mast married to Hannah Miller of Shillington and have a large offspring in Lancaster and Chester Counties; (5) Daniel Mast married to Rachel Blank, was minister of the Conestoga Amish Church; (6) Mary Mast was married to John Stoltzfus who was ordained minister and bishop of the Amish Church of Millcreek.

by Amos L. Fisher

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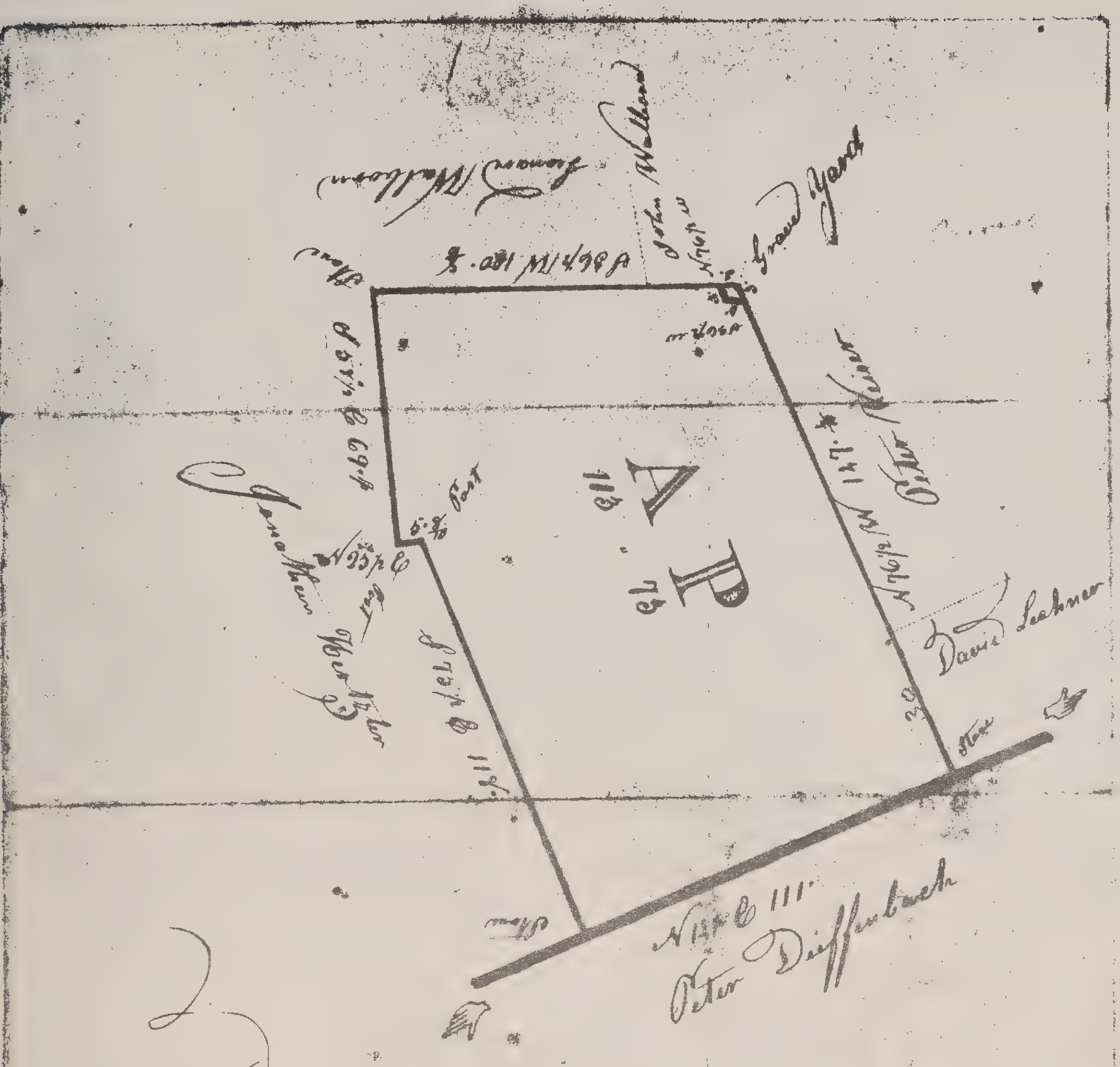
NORTHKILL AMISH MARKER

On June 27. 1959, Amish Mennonites and others gathered at a point along Pennsylvania highway Route 22, one mile west of Shartlesville, in Berks County, to dedicate an historical marker commemorating the first organized Amish congregation in America. The text on the marker is given below. (M.G.)

NORTHKILL AMISH

> The first organized Amish Mennonite congregation in America. Established by 1740. Disbanded following Indian attack, September 29, 1757, in which a Provincial soldier and three members of the Jacob Hochstetler family were killed near this point.


Samuel Walborn
John Walborn
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Peter Miner
David Lechner
Jonathan Hertzler
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Peter Dieffenbach

A Draught of a Tract of Land Situate in Jackson township in the County of Lebanon containing one hundred and Sixteen Acres and Seventy three perches Strict Measure without the grave Yard Surveyed at the Request of Stephen Kurtz — the 16th day of November AD 1837.

pr Daniel Hinwatter

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AMISH GENEALOGIES

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21.	Gingerich, John W.	Descendants of Daniel Yoder, 1793-1848. 1963	94
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23.	Graber, Peter M.	History of the Graber and Stoll Families. 1917	28
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25.	Hartzler, Merle D.	Descendants of Joseph Jones and Elizabeth Miller. 1949.	24
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30.	Hertzler, John G.	A Brief Biographical Memorial of Jacob Hertzler. . 1730-1883 1885. 365p. Index Zug. Appendix and Footnotes.	
31.	Hochstetler, Barbara (Chupp)	Family Record of Eli and Nathan Chupp. 1951.	110
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THE OLD ORDER AMISH in MEXICO

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The recent movements of Old Order Amish families to British Honduras, Paraguay, and Costa Rica, have attracted considerable attention. It is not true, however, that these recent migrations, which began in December, 1966, represent the first Amish settlements outside Anglo-America since the Amish left Europe. There have been at least two Old Order Amish settlements in Mexico and both have disappeared.

Sometime during 1923, at least eight Amish families from Wayne County, Ohio, including a Troyer family, moved to an unspecified location in Mexico.[1] It is likely that they moved near one of the Mennonite settlements being founded at about the same time, but this is only conjecture. Their stay in Mexico was limited to a few years, after which several of the families returned to the United States and settled near Moyock (?), North Carolina, one of only several known Amish settlements to have been founded in that state. In 1932, the remaining families left North Carolina and joined the Amish community in Kent County, Delaware.[2]

During the year 1944, two Old Order Amish families from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, located in Mexico, about 130 miles inland from Tampico in a very tropical area in the State of San Luis Potosi.[3] In that locality they settled in conjunction with four Old Order Mennonite families, the six families totaling 36 persons. This conjunction of Old Order Amish and Old Order Mennonite should not be considered especially unusual since both groups share many common convictions.

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[1] A. B. Clark, *History of the Amish of Delaware*, privately printed, (the author is in the History Department, Wesley College, Dover, Delaware), 1963, p. 26.

[2] *Ibid*., p. 26.

[3] J. W. Fretz, *Mennonite Colonization in Mexico: An Introduction*, Publication No. 2, Mennonite Central Committee, Akron, Pennsylvania, 1945, pp. 9, 15.

Diener in den Amiſchen Gemeinden.

Erwählt in Lancaſter Caunty, von 1800 bis 1902.

1.	Chriſtian Stoltzfus kam in die Gegend ohngefahr	1800
	Er war am vollen Dienſt an der Zeit.	
2.	Erwählte ſeinen Sohn Johanis Stoltzfus Diener zum Buch	1805
	Nachgehends an den vollen Dienſt	1808
3.	Joſeph Beiler—Peque—Diener zum Buch	1810
4.	David Beiler—Peque—Diener zum Buch	1822
	Nachgehends an den vollen Dienſt	1837
5.	Chriſtian Kinig—Peque—Diener zum Buch	1836
	Nachgehends an den vollen Dienſt	1856
6.	Michael Lapp—Peque—Armen-Dienſt	1839
7.	Johanis Stoltzfus—Mühlkrick—Diener zum Buch	1843
	Nachgehends an den vollen Dienſt	1848
8.	Heinrich Lanz—Mühlkrick—Diener zum Buch	1843
9.	Johanis Stoltzfus—Groffenthal—Diener zum Buch	1844
10.	Johanis Stoltzfus—Peque—Armen-Dienſt	1844
11.	Jacob Stoltzfus—Peque—Diener zum Buch	1846
12.	Chriſtian Umbel—Unter Peque—Diener zum Buch	1851
	Nachgehends an den vollen Dienſt	1854
13.	David Stoltzfus—Unter Peque—Diener zum Buch	1851
14.	Chriſtian Beiler—Ober Peque—Diener zum Buch	1852
15.	Moſe Herz—Unter Peque—Diener zum Buch	1855
16.	Samuel Blank—Unter Peque—Diener zum Buch	1860
17.	Gideon Stoltzfus—Unter Peque—Diener zum Buch	1868
18.	Chriſtian Stoltzfus—Mühlkrick—Armen-Dienſt	1857
19.	Chriſtian Kinig—Mittler Peque—Diener zum Buch	1857
	Nachgehends an den vollen Dienſt	1882
20.	Eli Zug—Ober Peque—Diener zum Buch	1859
	Nachgehends an den vollen Dienſt	1867
21.	Gideon Fiſher—Ober Peque—Diener zum Buch	1865
22.	Samuel Herzler—Mittler Peque—Diener zum Buch	1865
23.	David Beiler—Ober Peque—Diener zum Buch	1866
24.	Jonathan Kauffman—Mittler Peque—Diener zum Buch	1866
25.	Johanis Beiler—Ober Peque—Armen-Dienſt	1866
26.	Benjamin Fiſher—Ober Peque—Diener zum Buch	1871
27.	Benjamin Lanz—Unter Mühlkrick—Diener zum Buch	1873
28.	Johanis Stoltzfus—Ober Mühlkrick—Diener zum Buch	1873
29.	Heinrich Stoltzfus—Ober Mühlkrick—Diener zum Buch	1873
	Nachgehends an den vollen Dienſt	1878
30.	Joel Zug—Ober Mühlkrick—Diener zum Buch	1878
31.	Daniel Eſh—Mittler Peque—Diener zum Buch	1878
32.	Joel Kinig—Unter Mühlkrick—Diener zum Buch	1884
	Nachgehends an den vollen Dienſt	1891
33.	Iſaac Lapp—Unter Mühlkrick—Armen-Dienſt	1878
34.	Daniel Stoltzfus—Unter Peque—Diener zum Buch	1879
35.	Benjamin Stoltzfus—Coneſtoga—Diener zum Buch	1879
	Nachgehends an den vollen Dienſt	1888
36.	Johanis Lapp—Unter Peque—Armen-Dienſt	1883
37.	Johanis Zug—Ober Mühlkrick—Diener zum Buch	1886
38.	Samuel Stoltzfus—Coneſtoga—Diener zum Buch	1888
39.	Amos Lapp—Mittler Peque—Armen-Dienſt	1890
40.	Daniel Stoltzfus—Coneſtoga—Armen-Dienſt	1892
41.	Meno Stoltzfus—Ober Mühlkrick—Armen-Dienſt	1894
42.	Chriſtian Lapp—Ober Peque—Armen-Dienſt	1892
43.	Gideon Stoltzfus—Unter Peque—Diener zum Buch	1896
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44.	Chriſtian Glick—Unter Peque—Diener zum Buch	1896
45.	Benjamin Kinig—Ober Peque—Diener zum Buch	1900
46.	Johanis Beiler—Unter Mühlkrick—Diener zum Buch	1900
47.	Chriſtian Fiſher—Ober Peque—Diener zum Buch	1901
48.	Jonas Stoltzfus—Coneſtoga—Diener zum Buch	1901
49.	Jacob Lapp—Mittler Peque—Diener zum Buch	1902
50.	Chriſtian Lapp—Unter Mühlkrick—Diener zum Buch	1902

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From the second decade to the fourth decade of the nineteenth century was a period of dissension in the Lower Pequea. The young people became lax in joining church. Some did not join until they were married and had families and many did not join the Amish church at all.[1] This can be seen by the numerous family names on tombstones in Mennonite and other graveyards. After 1830 this congregation diminished rapidly so that by 1843 the year of the first dividing line is only to say that the Pequea and the remaining Lower Pequea have now fully united and the bulk was too large for one district so a line was then established. The early settlers preferred natural dividing lines, which is obvious by the first dividing line. The Muddy Run was placed as the first division and this is perhaps the first permanent line in America to divide Amish church districts. Nine years later the Pequea side was divided again.

An interesting study can be made from the "Diener in den Amische Gemeinden" concerning the early ordinations in the Pequea before 1843. As stated before Joseph Beiler is believed to be the first one ordained in the Pequea and John Stoltzfus the first one in the Millcreek. Next was David Beiler, ordained in 1822 and it could be reasoned that he was to take the place of an older minister that we do not have on this list, but who was ordained in a former locality. Of this we have some possibilities, Bishop Michael Lapp died around 1824, his son John is believed to have been a minister, whose name appears on the Dienerversammlung of 1807 (see German script page), and then a Christian King lived here before 1800 who is known to have been a minister and moved to another community in the 1800 era. Now with these records on hand everything fits together well, to say that the Pequea Church had at least four ministers and a bishop from 1810 to 1832, the year when Christian Stoltzfus died, who was the senior bishop, his son John was the junior bishop, Joseph Beiler and David Beiler were ministers. One thing remains unexplained, who was the deacon?* Were one of the bishops or ministers entrusted with this duty or was there an old deacon present who had been ordained in another locality? There was no deacon ordained here until 1839[2] just four years before the church was divided.

Here we have one note of interest which our "Diener" list does not have. A certain John Lapp of the Soudersburg area was ordained in 1832. Our records show that he died May 29, 1832, aged 44 years. Our interesting point is that he was likely placed to fill the vacancy of Bishop Christian Stoltzfus who died in that year.[3] This includes all the ordainations up to 1843 when the church was divided.

David Beiler was ordained bishop in 1837. Some years later he became sickly and it is said that he didn't believe he would live long so that in 1856 Christian King was ordained to his assistance. Strange as it was, David Beiler outlived the junior bishop and again in 1867 Eli Zook was ordained to assist the elder bishop who lived to be 84 years old, and died one hundred years ago in March.

Now that the church was divided, (1843) more ordainations followed. John Stoltzfus Jr. and a John Stoltzfus of Groffdale and Henry Lantz were ordained in the Millcreek side, as was John Stoltzfus (Tennessee John), and his brother Jacob were ordained in the Pequea side.

The next mark is 1852, when the Pequea side was divided. The year before this Christian Umble and David Stoltzfus were ordained from one lot in the Lower Pequea, and Christian Beiler, oldest son of Bishop David Beiler was ordained deacon in the Pequea side in 1852. From this mark on, the Pequea Church seemed to grow noticeably, even to the outsider. By 1865 there were four districts and by this time farms were selling at high prices in Eastern Lancaster County.

By that time the Pequea churches had outgrown other Amish settlements. The Big Valley was next which already had three districts at about this time

One hundred years ago there were four church districts in the Pequea. Following is the names of districts and the ministers:

Millcreek: John Stoltzfus Jr., Bishop; Henry Lantz; John Stoltzfus, Groffdale; Christian Stoltzfus, Deacon.

Lower Pequea: Christian Umble, Bishop; David Stoltzfus; Gideon Stoltzfus; (John Stoltzfus left for Tennessee in 1871).

Upper Pequea: Eli Zook, Bishop; David Beiler Jr.; John Beiler, Deacon. Bishop David Beiler and Gideon Fisher died in 1871.

Middle Pequea: Jacob Stoltzfus; Samuel Hertzler; Jonathan Kauffman; Christian Beiler, Deacon.

compiled by Joseph F. Beiler

Source of information: Diener in den Amischen Gemeinden, 1903; draft von den Amischen Gemeinden, 1950, John Lapp; copy of Diener Buch by Lydia (King) Lapp.

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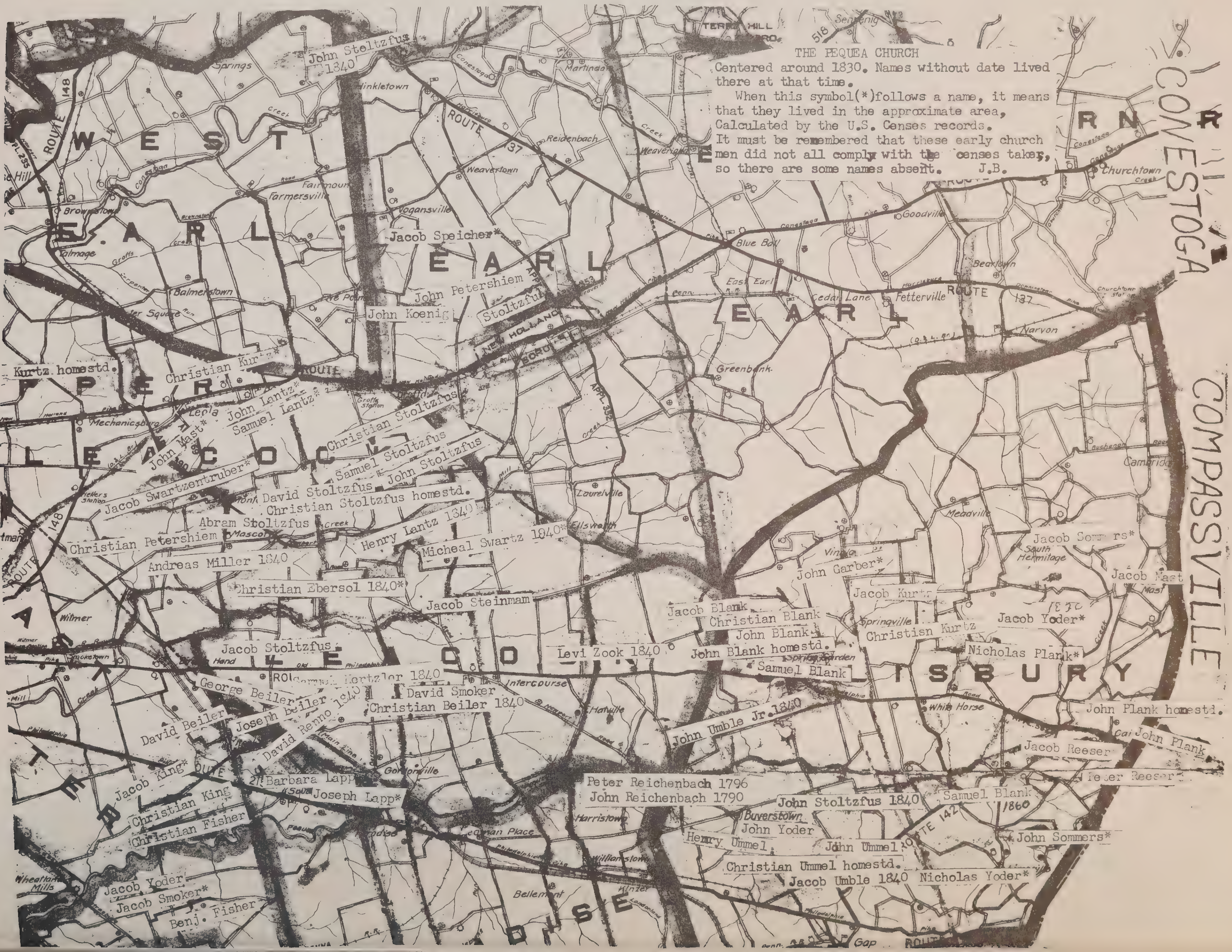
[1] From the writings of John S. Beiler (Fisher Book #706) we have clear examples of this.

[2] Michael Lapp was the grandson of Bishop Michael Lapp and was married to a granddaughter of Bishop Christian Stoltzfus. He was a capable reader and writer. He published a small "Lustgardlein" printed by John Baer's Sons in 1853.

[3] Four years later Christian King was ordained to fill this vacancy.

*Micheal Swartz may have moved into the Pequea district between 1830-1840. He married a widow Barbara (Stoltzfus) Lapp and is believed to have been ordained a full deacon before he came here. He moved to the Buffalo Valley sometime after 1850. He was born in France.



THE PEQUEA CHURCH
Centered around 1830. Names without date lived there at that time.

When this symbol(*)follows a name, it means that they lived in the approximate area, Calculated by the U.S. Censes records. It must be remembered that these early church men did not all comply with the censes taker, so there are some names absent. J.B.

CONESTOGA
COMPASSVILLE
WEST EARL
EARL
EARL
EAST EARL
UPPER LEACOCK
LEACOCK
SALISBURY
PARADISE
EAST LAMPETER
John Stoltzfus 1840
Jacob Speicher*
John Petershiem
John Koenig
Stoltzfus
Kurtz homestd.
Christian Kurtz*
John Lantz*
Samuel Lantz*
John Mast*
Christian Stoltzfus
Samuel Stoltzfus
John Stoltzfus
Jacob Swartzentruber*
David Stoltzfus
Christian Stoltzfus homestd.
Abram Stoltzfus
Henry Lantz 1840
Christian Petershiem
Micheal Swartz 1840*
Andreas Miller 1840
Christian Ebersol 1840*
Jacob Steinmam
Jacob Stoltzfus
Samuel Hertzler 1840
George Beiler
David Smoker
Christian Beiler 1840
David Beiler
Joseph Beiler
David Renno 1840
Jacob King*
Barbara Lapp
Joseph Lapp*
Christian King
Christian Fisher
Jacob Yoder
Jacob Smoker*
Benj. Fisher
Levi Zook 1840
Jacob Blank
Christian Blank
John Blank
John Blank homestd.
Samuel Blank
John Garber*
Jacob Kurtz
Christisn Kurtz
Jacob Yoder*
Nicholas Plank*
Jacob Sommers*
Jacob Mast
John Umble Jr. 1840
John Plank homestd.
John Plank
Jacob Reeser
Peter Reeser
Peter Reichenbach 1796
John Reichenbach 1790
John Stoltzfus 1840
Samuel Blank 1860
John Yoder
Henry Ummel
John Ummel
John Sommers*
Christian Ummel homestd.
Jacob Umble 1840
Nicholas Yoder*
NEW HOLLAND BORO
ROUTE 148
ROUTE 37
ROUTE 137
ROUTE 142
Blue Ball
Intercourse
White Horse
Terre Hill
Churchtown
Goodville
Bird-in-Hand
Smoketown
Gordonville
Leacock
Mechanicsburg

THE PEQUEA CHURCH

The most accepted time for the settlement of the Pequea Church is around the year 1800. Although this holds true in considering the Pequea proper or in more refined terms, Leacock Twp. including Upper Leacock at that time. It is known that Amish settlements existed in Lancaster County before that time.

The earliest Amish settlement in Lancaster County was the West Conestoga. This is the one that David Beiler writes about as the first Amish settlement and he refers to it as the Conestoga west of us. Therefore most generally spoken of as the West Conestoga. We have very limited information on this settlement, but we know that family names as Kurtz, Zook, Beiler, Garber, and Johns congregated there and had taken land grants in Leacock, Lampeter, Manheim, and Warwick Townships. We have no exact dates to the origin of this settlement but we believe it occurred the last half of the eighteenth century. It must have nearly dissolved the first decade of the nineteenth century, the time when Hans Beiler, their Bishop moved to Mifflin County. After this the remnants of this congregation held to the Pequea District. Some of the families of the West Conestoga probably came from Berks County and it is believed that some migrated directly from Europe

The other older settlement in Eastern Lancaster County is the Lower Pequea. It was established before the Pequea Proper. When families settled there, the Blanks of the Spring Garden area, around 1780; the Blanks of the Cains area, in 1769. Other early settlers in the Lower Pequea Valley were Kurtz, Miller, Umble, Yoder, Holly, Summers, Fisher, Burkey, and other names as Reeser, Walker, Wanner, and Richenbach are known to be Amish families. These were mainly settled in the White Horse and Gap area and northeast into Cambridge. This district occupied almost all of Salisbury Township.

As stated before, the Pequea and Millcreek section was started around 1800, although it is known that the Smokers, Kings, a Jacob Yoder, and a John Stoltzfus family lived there prior to that time. Bishop Christian Stoltzfus with five boys settled the banks of the Millcreek the first decade of the 1800s. They migrated from Berks County. In this time Christian Beiler, Henry Beiler, and Joseph Beiler migrated from Heidleburg Township, now Lebanon County, to locate the now Ronks area. About the same time Michael Lapp with at least two sons settled in the now Soudersburg area. Other early family names to settle here were Peachey, Petersheim, Lantz, Kauffman, Zook, Steinman, and Miller. Some later names were Fisher, Ebersole, Hertzler, Speicher, Dienner and others.

Of late years it was mostly thought that the Pequea Church had been one district up to 1843 when it was first divided, but recent research tells us that this cannot be true. Much more likely is the theory that they were two congregations from the beginning. A study of early minister lists and the number of families in each settlement give us an answer contrary to the former theory. According to the Blank family history, Bishop Peter Blank was in charge of the lower Pequea from 1808 till his death in 1831. Then his brother John Blank (or Plank) succeeded him as bishop until his death in 1835. Besides these there were three other Blanks ordained minister and deacon in this area. A rough family count from old records reveals no less than two dozen Amish in the area in 1820 and 1830 which is considered the climax period of the early Lower Pequea. This is ample proof that the Lower Pequea was a congregation by itself. The Pequea and Millcreek settlement has Christian Stoltzfus as Bishop from the beginning (1800). Eight years later a junior bishop was ordained there, which was John Stoltzfus, a son of Christian. In 1810 Joseph Beiler was ordained minister, he being the first minister ordained in the Pequea proper. About this time the Lapps moved into the Pequea. We have family records saying that Micheal Lapp was a bishop but without doubt he received this office in a former locality. In 1822 David Beiler was ordained minister. This is ample evidence that this community congregated by itself.

From the beginning there seems to have been a marked difference in the districts in minor practices and discipline. The Lower Pequea people were very generous, more liberal and adopted the modes of the English neighbors more readily, and even their language was more freely spoken, except in church services German was intact. On the other hand, the Pequea brethern were more of a stern nature and clung more firmly to the modes and practices of their fathers of Berks County and of Europe. These conditions prevailed for a long time, but with time the gap narrowed so that in our day an outside observer would not notice the difference. However there are two specific practices yet present so distinct that we can be sure that the two communities are not of one parentage, namely: In the Lower Pequea the girls do not were black caps like they do in the Pequea to attend church services. The holding of church services (Gmay Carey) rotates clockwise in the Pequea and counterclockwise in the Lower Pequea.

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PA. MAN DIED UNEXPECTEDLY

Jacob Esh, 66, husband of Rachel (Smoker) Esh, Gordonville R1, Pa. died unexpectedly at 8:10 p.m. Monday, May 10 at his home. They had been to a viewing and when they got home Jake sat on the porch while his wife went into the house. She heard a noise and went out to find him passed away. He had been under the care of a physician. (see obituary)

MIFFLIN CO. PA. MAN DIED OF HEART ATTACK

Samuel Swarey, 67, Belleville, Pa. died suddenly Tuesday eve. May 25 of a heart attack. A heifer had in some way managed to get through the fence and gone to the neighbors. He, the neighbor and a son-in-law were trying to bring it back. They never knew he had a heart condition. He just fell over backwards, and breathed only a few times. (see obituary)

ILLINOIS BOY HAD LEUKEMIA

Duane Anderson, aged 17 yr., 5 mo., 13 days died of Leukemia on May 26. In December, 1970 he complained a little and was taken to a doctor. He spent some time at St. Louis Hospital, then seemed better and worked in the fields again. He soon got worse and was taken back to the hospital but with no relief.even though everything was done that hands could do.

LIGHTNING STRUCK BELLEVILLE, PA. HOME

On May 20, Ascension Day, in the afternoon we had thunder, lightning and showers. A large round bolt of lightning was seen by a Belleville man, in a jeep, with a two-way radio, coming down near the home of Levi Kanagy Jr. He looked again and saw flames, then quickly talked over to Belleville, someone there put off the fire alarm. Fire trucks were there in a short time and saved both houses. The lightning struck a tree which had a clothes line fastened to it. The lightning followed the clothes line to the wash house. The wash house, a refrigerator, stove, sink and a few other items were destroyed, but both houses were saved.

DAVIESS CO., IND. FIRE

On Monday morning, May 24 while eating breakfast the Amos Wittmer family discovered their wash house on fire. All contents and part of the family wash for the week were burned. An oil heater used for heating water started the fire. All effort was put forth to save the house. The east side was charred and all the glass was broken from the windows and doors. The aged mother who suffered a stroke recently, was moved to their neighbor's, the Joseph Lengachers until the needed repair could be done. Address is Montgomery R1, Ind. 47558

HUNTINGDON CO. PA. MAN HURT AT FLOUR MILL

Noah D. Yoder aged 26 of Huntingdon Co., Mill Creek, Pa. met with an accident May 7. He works at Belleville Flour Mill, he was carrying a pile of empty bags and accidently stepped into a hole which was open to sweep scraps into. The auger hit his shoe bruising his foot badly. He was taken to the dispensary and had his foot dressed. He was off work about a week, then got worse and was taken to the hospital. The doctor said he had infection, he stayed five days. He is not back to work yet, but has his foot in a walking cast and is to keep it elevated.

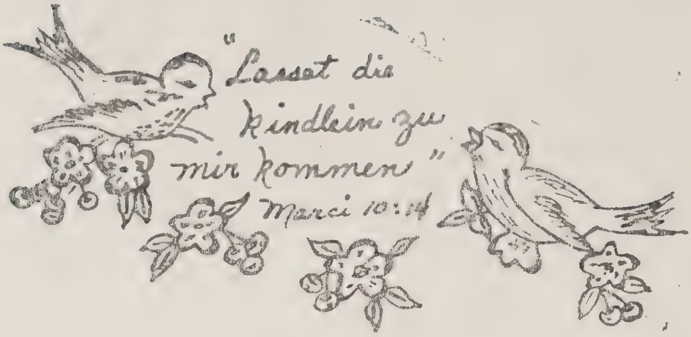
BUCHANAN CO., IOWA ACCIDENTS

William, son of Henry J. Yoder aged 8 years, ran into a barb wire fence while his Daddy was fixing fence, and cut his face, which required 49 stitches to close.

Mrs. Obed Gingerich fell from a chair and cut the back of her head so that stitches were needed to close the wound.

Let us remember our bereaved ones in prayer

BIRTHS



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ANNA, April 19

Aylmer, Ontario
Herrfort, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon, a son
NOAH, May 18
Stoll, Elmo (Elizabeth Miller) a son
CALEB, April 23

Jamesport, Missouri
Gingerich, Monroe (Elva Hostetler) a son MONROE JR., May 24
Mast, Valentine A. (Dorothy Bontrager) a daughter VERA, May 26
Yutzy, Fred W. (Sara Shrock) a son GLEN DALE, May 20

Johnson County, Iowa
Hershberger, Willis (Rachel Kauffman) a son NELSON, May 16
Miller, Joe Jr. (Erma Yoder, a daughter ELDORA, May 17
Miller, William (Mattie Bontrager) a daughter JOANNA, Jay 5
Yoder, Alton (Susie Bontrager) a daughter (adopted), ANNA FERN, born August 17, 1970
Yoder, Marvin (Elizabeth Gingerich) a son MYRON, April 25

Buchanan Co., Iowa
Miller, Raymond (Martha Gingerich) Hazleton, a daughter RUBY, May 24
Stutzman Edward (Betty Schmucker) Hazleton, a son JERRY, May 4
Yoder, Henry A. (Katie Kauffman) Fairbank, a daughter LYDIA ANNAMAY, May 18

Arthur, Illinois
Gingerich, Leroy (Emma Jo Miller) a daughter EDNA MAE, May 22
Hostetler, Monroe (Ruby Miller) a son EARL JAY, May 5
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Danny, a son ALLEN, April 23
Schlabaugh, Daniel (Verna Miller) a son GARY LYNN, May 18
Schrock, Sam and (Susie Ellen Schrock) a son JOHN EDWARD, April 26

Daviess County, Indiana
Knepp, Elmer (Elvina Graber) a son DELMAR, April 13
Stoll, Leroy (Rosie Knepp) a daughter PAULINE RUTH, May 9
Wagler, Amos (Susanna Wagler) a daughter ANNA MAE, April 24
Wagler, Raymond (Malinda Weaver) a son SAMUEL, May 14

LaGrange County, Indiana
Bontrager, Ora (Susan Hostetler) LaGrange R1, a son JOHN MARK, May 20
Fry, Wilbur (Ada Knepp) Topeka R1, a son VERNON W., April 30
Helmuth, Johnny (Susie Miller) Millersburg R1, a daughter LA VERA SUE, April 29
Hershberger, Simon (Mary Ellan Miller) LaGrange R4, a son DAVID LEE, May 4
Hostetler, Orva O. (Ella Miller) Topeka R1, a daughter NETTIE SUE, May 3
Lehman, Freeman M. (Susie M. Bontrager) Shipshewana R1, a son FREEMAN JR., May 16
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Miller, Henry (Ida Anna Miller) a daughter CHRISTINA, May
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Otto, Jerry M. (Polly Anna Eash) LaGrange R1, a son MARION J., May 15
Schrock, Menno J. (Esther Graber) Topeka R1, a son STEVEN JOHN, May 11
Troyer, Levi (Viola Miller) Middlebury R1, a son LLOYD EUGENE, May 14

Ashland, Ohio
Schrock, Andrew J. (Mattie Hershberger) a son MONROE, May 23
Schwartz, Noah (Mattie Raber) a daughter ANNA, April 2
Yoder, Harley S. (Agnes Graber) a son VERNON, March 16
Yoder, Ervin (Sarah Yoder) a son ROMAN, March 16

Centre Co., Pennsylvania
Stoltzfus, Jonas (Lovina Stoltzfus) Millheim R1, a daughter REBECCA, May 23

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Hershberger, Mr. and Mrs. John E., Sugarcreek, a daughter MARY, May 9
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Dan J., Holmesville, a son
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. David A., a son
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Miller, Mr. and Mrs. David D., a son, May 5
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas J., Baltic, a daughter
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Pete S., Millersburg R5, a son TYRANUS TAMEN, May 11
Mullet, Mr. and Mrs. Edward, Sugarcreek R2, a daughter
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Raber, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin, Millersburg R2, a daughter
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Troyer, Mr. and Mrs. Gideon, Millersburg R4, a son
Troyer, Mr. and Mrs. Sam J., Millersburg R4, a son
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Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Henry A., a daughter RUTH, May 1
Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas N., a daughter MARTHA
Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Mose J.C., a son, May 9
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Juniata County, Pennsylvania
Wengard, Andy M. (Annie Kanagy) a son ELI, May 1

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania
Beiler, Benuel S. (Mary Zook) Christiana R1, a son CHRISTIE, May 5
Beiler, David K. (Sarah Stoltzfus) 186 Geist Rd., Lancaster, a daughter RUTH, May 5
Beiler, John J. (Rebecca P. Stoltzfus) Leola R1, a son CHRISTIAN S., May 5
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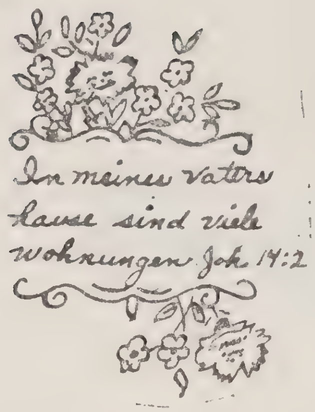
Yoder, Leroy (Annie S. Lapp) Ronks R1, a son ELAM RAYMOND, May 18

OBITUARIES

Esh, Jacob, 66, husband of Rachel (Smoker) Esh, Gordonville R1, Pennsylvania died Monday, May 10 at his home. Born in Leacock Twp. he was a son of the late Samuel and Annie (Stoltzfus) Esh. He was self-employed as a builder and was previously self-employed as a butcher for many years. In addition to his wife, he is survived by five children, Lena Mae, wife of Christ Stoltzfus, Sarasota, Fla., Samuel L., Daniel S., and Barbara S. wife of John U. Lapp, all of Gordonville R1; Anna Mary, wife of Henry S. Lapp, Gap R1; 27 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; also these brothers and sisters, Samuel Esh Jr., Gordonville R1; Aary, wife of Elam Riehl, Mrs. Annie Stoltzfus, and Melinda, wife of Stephen Stoltzfus, all of Gap R1. Funeral services were held by Joe Bontrager, Goshen, Indiana and Stephen Stoltzfus. Burial was in the Gordonville Cemetery.



OBITUARIES

Glick, Sylvia S., one-year-old daughter of Jacob and Mary (Stoltzfus) of 2351 Horseshoe Rd. Lancaster, Pa. died Sunday, May 30,at her home. Besides her parents, she is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Levi S., Annie S., Emma S., Jacob S. Jr., and Mary S., all at home; maternal grandparents, John and Annie Stoltzfus, Leola R1, and paternal grandparents, Levi S. and Annie Glick, Leola R1, Pa.

Hershberger, Amanda E., 74, of Baltic R1, Ohio died Monday Evening, May 24, at her residence after a six-months illness. She was born in Holmes Co. to the late Mose B. and Katie (Miller) Beachy. Her first husband, Christian J. Schlabach, died in 1932. Surviving are her husband, Eli M. Hershberger; two daughters, Mrs. John A. (Anna) Yoder of Baltic R1 and Mrs. Nathan D. (Sarah) Miller of Millersburg R4; three step-daughters, Mrs. Abe L. (Fannie) Raber of Millersburg R5; Mrs. David M. (Mary Ann) Yoder of Millersburg R4 and Mrs. Eli J. (Katie) Troyer of Baltic R1; two step-sons, John E. Hershberger of the home and Mose E. Hershberger of Baltic; three sisters, Mrs. Mattie Burkholder of Millersburg R5, Mrs. Susan Yoder of Millersburg Star Rt., and Mrs. Jacob P. (Lizzie Ann) Barkman of Sugarcreek R2; a step-sister, Mrs. Abe J. Beachy of Sugarcreek R1; a brother, John M. Beachy of Dover, Del., and two step-brothers, Sam Farmwald of LaGrange, Ind. and Levi Farmwald of Nappanee, Ind.; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren and 32 step-grandchildren. Six sisters and four brothers died previously. Funeral services were held by Bishop Dan G. Yoder; Burial was in Miller Cemetery in Clark Township.

King, Lydia M., 79, widow of David K. King, New Holland R2, Pennsylvania died Wednesday, May 12 at 7:15 a.m. at her home after 5 months illness. Born in East Lampeter Twp. She was a daughter of the late Benjamin F. and Mary (Miller) Beiler. Her husband died in 1965. Surviving are these children, Benjamin B., New Holland R2; Mary, wife of Jacob R. Beiler, Christiana R1; Mattie, wife of Lloyd Beiler, Marvon R2; Mrs. Susie Lapp, Lancaster; John, Kirkwood R1; David B., Jacob Z., both of Lancaster; and Fannie, wife of Norman Beiler, Narvon R2; also 49 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and these brothers and sisters, Aaron M. Beiler, Lancaster, Amos S. Beiler; Mrs. Fannie Riehl; Mary, wife of Eli Riehl; and John M. Beiler all of Ronks R1. Funeral services were held by Gideon K. King and Christian B. Riehl;Hymns were read by Benjamin F. Beiler and John Z. Fisher; Burial was in Beilers Cemetery; Obshied was by Bishop John L. Stoltzfus; Age was 79 Yr., 8 Mo., 1 day.

Lapp, Moses B., 80, Myerstown R2, Pennsylvania died suddenly Friday evening, May 21, at the Lebanon Good Samaritan Hospital. He was born in Lancaster Co., a son of the late John and Fannie (Blank) Lapp and was a deacon since 1948. He was prededed in death by his first wife, Annie (Zook) Lapp, who died in 1936; and a son, Isaac M., who died in 1967. Survivors include his wife Katie (Miller) Lapp; daughters, Katie Z., and Barbara Z., Myerstown R2; Annie Z., wife of David S. King, Myerstown R3; Fannie M., at home; and Mary M. wife of Menno Peachey, Myerstown R2; sons, John M. Ronks R1; Jonas Z. and David M., both of Myerstown R2; Moses Z., Gordonville; Levi Z., Lebanon R1., Jacob M., Mifflintown R2, a sister, Mrs. Fannie B. Stoltzfus, New Holland R1. Funeral services were held by Isaac Zook and Amos Lapp; Burial was in the Lebanon Amish Cemetery.

Lapp, Omar K., eight-week-old son of Benuel S. and Lizzie S. (King) Lapp of Narvon R1, Pa. died at 8 p.m. Sunday, May 16. His age was 1 mo. and 26 days. He died in his mother's arm, with his loving father and family close by with helping hands and loving hearts for the poor innocent child who will be greatly missed since he took special care.

In God's dear home,They are so safe, No suffering, tears or care,
And with His love, we hope to find,The little angels over there,
In the Glory land joining the angels band.

Surviving besides his parents are two sisters, Miriam and Linda, and one brother, David, all at home; the maternal grandparents, John S. and Sarah S. King, Narvon R1; the paternal grandparents, John K. and Annie (Smucker) Lapp, Kinzers R1; and the paternal great-grandfather, Benjamin S. Lapp, Leola R1. Funeral services were held by Dan Stoltzfus and Joe Beiler; Hymns were read by Amos E. Stoltzfus and Christ Stoltzfus; Obshied by Elam Kauffman.

Lengacher, Mrs. Katie, 85, Montgomery R1, Indiana died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. David E. Wagler, at 5 a.m. May 5. She had been seriously ill for the last month. She was born November 26, 1885, a daughter of Joseph and Fannie (Wagler) Graber. On January 31, 1907 she married Simon Lengacher who survives. Four sons and six daughters survive, Joe Lengacher, Montgomery R1; Henry, Menno and Simon Lengacher Jr., all of Loogootee R2; Mrs. David E. (Mary) Wagler, Mrs. Levi J. (Katie) Wagler, and Mrs. David (Martha) Gingerich, all of Montgomery R1; Mrs. Francis J. (Fannie) Wagler and Mrs. Ben (Rebecca) Knepp, Loogootee R2; and Mrs. Pete (Maggie) Swartzentruber, Odon. Two children preceded her in death. She leaves several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Also surviving are four sisters, Mrs. Amos (Mattie) Wittmer, Mrs. Mary Graber and Mrs. Amos (Emma)Yoder. Funeral services were held by Bishop Chris Otto, Sullivan, Illinois and Homer Stoll; burial in the Wagler Cemetery.

Riehl, Infant son of Moses and Sylvia (Esh) Riehl of Gordonville R1, Pennsylvania
born at home died Saturday,May 29. minutes after birth. Grandparents are Benjamin B. and Barbara (Glick) Riehl, and Stevie S. and Lydia (Smucker) Esh.

Schrock, Mrs. Tillie D. age 84 yr., and 4 mo., of Arthur, Illinois
widow of Pre. Joe L. Schrock died April 10. Her husband died November 27, 1941, aged 56 yr., 1 mo., 24 days.

Stoltzfus, Infant son of Aaron E. and Malinda (King) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, Pa.
died May 22. Grandparents are Eli S. King, Ronks,and Bishop Gideon and Katie Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Infant son of Elam E. and Priscilla S. (Riehl) Stoltzfus, Gap R1, Pa.
died Thursday, May 6 at St. Joseph's Hospital, Lancaster. Grandmothers are Mrs. Mary Riehl and Mrs. Annie Stoltzfus both of Gap R1, Pa. Graveside services were at Millwood.

Swarey, Samuel, 67, of Belleville, Pennsylvania
died Tuesday, May 25. He is survived by his wife, Mary L. (Renno) Swarey, 4 sons and 4 daughters, Jesse E.,Ezra B., Jacob S., Urie D., Catherine (at home), Mrs. Kore (Sarah) Kanagy, Mrs. Kore (Anna) Yoder, Mrs. Menno (Mary) Kanagy all of Belleville; 6 brothers, 2 sisters, Menno, Myerstown, Benjamin, Guthrie, Ky., Crist, Millcreek, Isreal, Mechanicsville, Md., David, Allensville, Jacob, Ronks, Mrs. Isaac (Lydia) King, Leola, Mrs. Amos (Leah) Peachey, Mifflintown; 40 grandchildren. He was a son of the late Christian and Sarah (Zook) Swarey. Funeral services were held at the home of his son Jacob by Crist B. Peachey and a nephew, Levi Swarey of Md. Burial was in the Allensville Cemetery.

Troyer, Mrs. Susanna, 73, of Fredericksburg R3, Ohio
died early Sunday morning, May 23, at her residence following a long illness. Her husband, Mose B. Troyer, died in 1956. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Katie Lehman of the home; four sons, Eli M. of Mifflintown, Pa., Peter M. of Applecreek R1, Abe M. of McAllister, Pa. and Aden M. of Fredericksburg R2; two sisters, Mrs. Atlee J. Miller of Orrville R2 and Mrs. Sam J. Miller of Millersburg R5; four brothers, Emanuel M. and Daniel M. Troyer both of Fredericksburg R2; Jonas M. Troyer of Baltic R1 and Andrew M. Troyer of Orrville R2; 38 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Burial was in the Levi Troyer Cemetery.

Weaver, Mrs. Sarah, 64, Millersburg R5, Ohio
died Saturday, May 15, at Pomerene Hospital in Millersburg following a long illness. She was born June 26, 1906, in Holmes Co. to Andrew and Mary (Miller) Raber. She was married to Christian P. Weaver January 26, 1926. She is survived by her husband; two sons, Emery of Dundee R2 and Andrew of Fredericksburg; four daughters, Mrs. Wayne A. (Mary) Yoder and Mrs. Melvin J.D. (Martha) Yoder, both of Fredericksburg, Mrs. Eli D. (Elizabeth) Yoder of Millersburg Star Rt. and Mrs. Ura M. (Sarah) Yoder of the home; 37 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Sam D. Yoder of Fredericksburg and Mrs. Dan D. Weaver of Millersburg Star Rt. and a step-brother, Noah J. Raber of Millersburg Star Rt. Her parents, a daughter, two grandchildren and two brothers died previously. Burial was in Miller Cemetery.

Yoder, Chester A., of Johnson County, Iowa
died May 4 at Mercy Hospital following a stroke 3 days previously, he never regained consciousness. His age was 6 4 yrs. and 7 days. Funeral services were held at the home May 7 by Bishops Simon Hochstetler of Milroy, Ind. and Henry N. Miller of Middlebury, Ind in the big house and by Clifford Miller and Jonas E. Helmuth of Buchanan Co, in the small house, and in the barn by Rob R. and Levi R. Troyer of Holmes Co., Ohio.

Yoder, Mrs. Katie, 83, of Holmesville R1, Ohio
died Thursday, May 20, at her residence following a two-months illness. She was born May 20, 1888 in Holmes Co. to Phineas and Lydia Troyer. She married Crist S. Yoder who died May 3, 1968. She is survived by six sons, Calvin of Millersburg, Ind., Sam of the home, Ammon of Goshen, Ind., William of Holmesville, Andy of Millersburg R1, and Henry of Baltic R1; two daughters, Mrs. Joe J. (Lydia) Yoder of Millersburg R1 and Mrs. Eli S. (Esther) Anderson of Holmesville R1; 59 grandchildren and 63 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held by Lester Schlabach; Burial was in the Miller Cemetery , Hardy Twp., Holmes Co.

Yoder, Phillip, one-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel C. Yoder of Shipshewana R1, Indiana
died Saturday, May 27 at 4 p.m. in the Elkhart General Hospital, following an illness of two months. Surviving with his parents are five brothers, Floyd, David, Daniel, John and Kenneth, and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris S. Yoder and Mr. and Mrs. Milt Otto, both of Shipshewana R1. Funeral services were held by Bishop Felty Yoder; burial in Bontrager Cem.

NOTICE!! We had a "Senior Sunshine" page in the June, 1970 issue of THE DIARY listing our older members who are 80 years old and older. We would like to bring this list up to date in the June, 1971 issue. We would like to have lists from communities that were not included last year and the names of any that were missed last year or have reached their eightieth birthday since. Anyone please feel free to send them to us.

We would like to have a list of phone numbers to be called in case of death or emergency for the various localities. Following are some numbers that were published in THE BUDGET, Aug. 27, 1970. Please indicate whether these are still in use. Viroqua, Wisc. 608-637-2123; LaFarge, Wisc. 608-625-4244; Buchanan Co. Iowa, 319-283-1709; Conewango, N.Y. 716-296-5590.

CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

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Lancaster County, Pennsylvania by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for the Bareville area was 6.5 inches. Livestock report: Fat Steers from $30.00 to 34.00 cwt.; Feeder Steers from 28.00 to 34.00; Fat Hogs, 18.00 to 21.75 cwt.; Feeder Pigs, 40 lb., 12.00; a load of Canadian Cows at Green Dragon sold from 455.00 to 610.00; Hay from 32.00 to 52.00 Ton; Straw from 36.00 to 43.00 Ton; Corn, 42.00 Ton or 1.70 bu.; Wheat, 1.70; Barley, 1.30 bu.; Oats, .95 bu.; Large Eggs, .30 doz.

by Ammon F. Fisher

Very good growing weather for May. Total rainfall was 6.8 inches and not much water ran off but soaked into the ground. Had thunder showers every month so far in '71. The warmest for May was 92 degrees on May 19. A lot of cool damp days through May. May 25th we saw a perfect rainbow which lasted about 20 minutes

by Elam S. [illegible]

Wheat is in full head now. Some alfalfa mowed although it is not blooming yet. Corn mostly planted now. Early corn is five inches tall. Some corn cultivating is being done. Some tobacco was transplanted in May.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania by David Y. Renno

The weather in Juniata Co. during May was wet and cool. We had no frost since May 1st, also very few very warm days. Total rainfall was 4.4 inches which was scattered out so it hasn't been too wet to work in fields except for a few days. Grass and oats look good, wheat will be a little short in straw but hay looks very good. Corn grew slowly and showed yellow because of much cool weather. Prospects are for a good cherry and peach crop.

A number of Amish girls were planting tomatoes for three weeks for a farmer along the Susquehanna River. He put out 140 acres all in tomatoes, another one has 80 acres, near Milton. They use a 7-row planter with 2 girls on each row. They must drop the plants by hand on a conveyor belt that takes them down and plants them with some water on each plant.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania by Sam M. [illegible]

We had around 3 inches of rain in May. It was rather cool the last part, the 28th it was nearly freezing. Fruit trees are loaded.

Centre County, Pennsylvania by [illegible] F. Beiler

We had nice weather to plow and work ground in May, only a few days that it was warm for the horses. The corn was about all planted till the 22nd. Some alfalfa is ready to mow, very little hay mowed on May. It is about a week late due to dry weather. Corn is growing nicely. It was a little dry the latter part of May. About 2.5 inches of rain for the month. Strawberries are really blooming and peas are just starting to bloom.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania by Catherine M. Swarey

May was cool, cloudy and rainy, approcimately 4.5 inches of measurable rain. Did not warm up till the 15th, after that we had some nice, warm days. Lowest temperature was 32° on May 1, a frost! Corn is nearly all planted, a few farmers have cut alfalfa. Strawberries and peas are blooming but not ripe yet.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania by Mary A. Kinsinger

Weather is getting a bit on the dry side again even though we had 7 inches of rain for the month. It's been over 2 weeks since we've had our last good soaker. We had lot of cool and windy weather with light sprinklers. Corn is mostly planted and gardens are growing. The woods are green now.

St. Mary's County Maryland by Amos R. Stoltzfus

May was mostly cool and very WET. We had around 8.5 inches of rain. Corn was mostly all planted when the wet weather come. Strawberries are ripe.

Holmes County, Ohio by David E. [illegible]

We are having nice growing weather. We had 3 inches of rain the first week in May and everything looks nice and green. We also had a nice rain May 25th which we are thankful for. The corn is all planted and hay fields are nice and green but everything is late as we have so many frosts at night. We had a frost Sunday morning, May 23rd. Our fruit trees look promising if we don't get too many late frosts. Some of the early strawberries were nipped by the frost.

Wayne County, Ohio by [illegible]

After an unusually dry April we have had weekly rains in May. Wheat is thin and spotty but growing nicely. [illegible] green. Corn is mostly planted and about half of it is up. Gardens are [illegible].

LaGrange County, Indiana by [illegible]

Rainfall for April was [illegible] inches. The coldest was 17 above on the 4th and 5th. The [illegible] and a little corn is planted. Pasture is slow in growing [illegible].

[illegible] in the 80s the 18th and 19th. Corn is up and growing [illegible] short.

Daviess County, Indiana by Lester Marner

May was very cool, rainfall was average. The pasture fields are very short due to being so cool. Strawberries are nearly 2 weeks later than usual.

Arthur, Illinois by Menno A. Diener

The month of April was cool and dry, about ¾ inches of rain the first week, with a touch of snow. Had several warm days but the last few mornings were nearly freezing. Most of the ground worked nicely and about half of the carn crop was planted in April.

We had afew nice, much needed whowers of rain. May 6 we had about ¾ inches. Showers off and on till the 11th, in all about 2 inches and by the 22nd another 2 inches. Some corn is being replanted but in general looks pretty good. Wheat is headed out but a little short. Oats are just heading and most of it is going to be tall.

Johnson County, Iowa by Eli S. Bontrager

We have had an ideal spring to work so far, mostly dry to get around, with just enough showers to keep crops going, but we are low in sub-moisture. Oats look good. Corn is nearly all planted and lots of it coming up. Has been plenty cool for the corn so far, temperature was at 38 the morning of May 28th.

Jamesport, Missouri by Amos W. Yoder

Approximately 2½ inches rain fell in May. Hay making has started. Strawberries are ripening but are a week or more later than usual because of cool and dry weather.

Aylmer, Ontario by Leroy Eicher

May was dry till the last week we had a few nice showers. Crops are about all in and cultivating has begun.

ORDINATIONS

Snyder County, Pennsylvania

On May 14th Peter Schwartz, son of Christ Schwartzs of Snyder Co. Pa. was ordained minister. His wife is Susan daughter of Rudy Wickeys

Wayne County, Ohio

Preacher Eli A. Hershberger, 43, in Abe A. Yoder district, May 1
Preacher Andy A. Hershberger, 59, in Noah I. Yoder district, May 2
Deacon Eli A. Miller, 33, in David P. Troyer district, May 2
Preacher Roy E. Mast, 32, Lower Walmut Creek district, May 1
Bishop Aden M. Troyer, Andy J. Weaver district, May 4
Preacher Abe J. Borntrager, 31, in Atlee E. Miller district
Preacher Eli A. Mast, 30, in Aden Yoder district, May 9
Deacon Obed J. Troyer, 38, in Jacob M. Mast district, May 8
Deacon Mose A. Erb, in Andy Troyer district, May 7

Ashland, Ohio

Preacher Dan Brenneman, 28, son of Dea. Alvin Brenneman, in Em. Schrock dist., April 11
Bishop Albert J. Keim, in Abe Troyer district, April 12
Preacher Simon Brenneman, 51, in Em Schrock South district, April 13

St. Joseph County, Michigan

April 25, Samuel W. Bontrager was ordained minister in Wm. J. Bontrager district. He is a son of Wm. N. Bontrager; his wife, Edith is a daughter of David D. Yoder. Their address is Centreville R1, Michigan.

May 1, Tobe Yoder was ordained Bishop in Wm. J. Bontrager North district. He is a son of Minister Ervin J. Yoder. His wife, Treva, is a daughter of Jake D. Bontrager. Their address is Mendon, R2, Michigan.

May 4, Alvin R. Miller was ordained minister in Wm. P. Miller district. He is a son of Roman W. Miller. His wife, Sarah Mae is a daughter of Willis Hochstetler. Their address is Centreville R1, Michigan.

LaGrange County, Indiana

April 25, Wm. W. Miller was ordained minister in Dave Nissley district. He is a son of Wm. A. Miller; his wife, Edna is a daughter of Ezra J. Bontrager. Address is Topeka R2, Ind.

May 16, Mose M. Mast, 55, was ordained minister in Amos Yoder district. He is a son of the late Mose L. Mast; his wife, Anne Mae is a daughter of the late Jacob S. and Katie Miller. Their address is LaGrange R1.

May 29, Perry L. Bontrager was ordained Bishop in John Troyer West district. He is a son of Levi L. Bontrager; his wife, Katie is a daughter of Floyd Chupp. Their address is Shipshewana R2, Indiana

May 8, Elvie Frye, 45, was ordained Bishop in Pete Miller East district. He is a son of Henry Frye; his wife is the former Elsie Kaufman from Ohio. Address is Shipshewana R1.

Ontario, Canada

May 23, Edward L. Petersheim was ordained minister of the Mt. Elgin District

Community note from Johnson County, Iowa

We have several aged persons in our community that are very feeble, namely, Mrs. Mary Miller, Mrs. Bishop Will Yoder and Ananias Beachy.

MARRIAGES

Snyder County, Pennsylvania
May 6, Jacob Wagler, son of Ezra Waglers of Bowling Freen, Missouri and
Elizabeth Troyer, daughter of Samuel Troyers of Snyer Co. by Tobias Petersheim
May 16, David, son of Roy and Amanda (Beachy) Kinsinger and
Effie, daughter of Elmer and Annie (Yoder) Brenneman (both deceased) by Albert Brenneman

Wayne County, Ohio
May 6, John, son of Rudy S. Yoders and Ada, dau of Henry A. Millers
May 6, Noah, son of Neal M. Yoders, Saltillo, and Fannie, dau of Jacob Coblentz.
April 29, Ben, son of Alvin Troyers, Charm, and Susie, dau of Mrs. John A. Miller, Holmesville
April 29, Edwin Troyer, Apple Creek, and Mary dau of Monroe I. Mast, Millersburg
May 20, Jonas J. Hershberger Jr., son of Jonas Hershberger, Apple Creek, and
Sarah Naomi, daughter of Calvin J. Schlabach
May 13, Emanuel, son of John E. Yoders, and Barbara, dau of Eli H. Weavers, Holmesville
May 20, John, son of Jonas J. Rabers, and Ruth, dau of Ivan J. Hochstetlers

Ashland, Ohio
March 9, Emanuel, son of Bish. Dan Miller and Sarah, dau of Sam E. Miller
March 11, Jonas, son of Eli Weaver, and Orpha, dau of Pre. Roman Yoder
March 25, Allen, twin son of Simon Brenneman and Lydiann, dau of Eli Weavers

LaGrange County, Indiana
April 15, Ray, son of Levi and Alice (Bontrager) Bontrager, Topeka and
Anna Mae, daughter of Levi and Ida (Wingard) Schrock, Shipshewana
April 22, Melvin, son of William and Lovina (Helmuth) Yoder, LaGrange and
Polly Anna, daughter of Ira and Mattie (Schlabach) Muller, Topeka
April 22, Ura Jay, son of Henry and Susie (Bontrager) Miller, Centreville, Michigan and
Mattie, daughter of Levi and Mary (Bontrager) Schrock, Shipshewana
April 27, Ervin, son of Amos and Wilma (Miller) Bontrager, Shipshewana and
Anna, daughter of Joe and Ella (Bontrager) Yoder, Shipshewana
May 6, Wilbur, son of Jerry J. and Mary (Mast) Yoder and
Wilma, daughter of Ammon and Ida (Miller) Beachy, by the groom's uncle, Henry Yoder of Nappanee
May 13, Joseph, son of Fred J. and Katie (Helmuth) Yoder and
Vera Mae, dau of Levi J. and Martha (Miller) Schrock by the bride's uncle, Milo J. K. Miller
May 18, Jerome Hostetler Jr., son of the late Jerome Hostetler and
Mary Ann (Miller) Hostetler and Abbie, daughter of John and Verna Eash
May 20, Marvin, son of Amos W. and Wilma (Miller) Bontrager and
Betty, daughter of Harvey and Nettie (Hostetler) Lambright

Arthur, Illinois
April 15, Ervin, son of Dan A. and Lena (Schrock) Miller and
Susan, daughter of Jerry A. and Alta (Yoder) Yoder

Johnson County, Iowa
June 2, Jerry, son of Daniel Schrocks of Arthur, Ill. and Magdelena, daughter of Emanuel
and Barbara (Swartzentruber) Bontrager. They plan to live in Iowa.

Buchanan County, Iowa
May 6, Perry, son of Levi B. Miller and Emma Yutzy, daughter of Pre. John Yutzy, Fairbank
by Bishop Simon Hostetler of Milroy, Indiana

Jamesport, Missouri
May 6, Sam, son of William Bontragers, Mt. Elgin, Canada, and
Magdalena, daughter of Harry and Mary (Bender) Yoder, by Bishop John Kramer

AMISH AID MEETING (Storm and Fire damage)
was held on Saturday, May 29 at Isaac Hertzlers, Mechanicsville R2, Md. One of our Secretaries, John F. Stoltzfoos resigned and Levi S. Stoltzfoos of South Groffdale district was appointed to take his place. Considerable work for the secretary accumulates at these meetings, therefore the former secretary shall have thirty days to bring his records in order. At that time the new secretary shall go and pick up same. Old Samuel Hertzler who had served many years on the board but resigned several years ago, gave us an encouraging speech in which he mentioned that the Canadian set-up is much like ours, and that formerly no engines were to be taken into barns. This is still frowned upon, however Diesel or gas engines in an attached building is allowed, preferably made as fire-proof as convenient. Among other business, part of the policy was read and explained, and it was mentioned that many loan companies include life insurance, with the person borrowing being unaware, but some will exempt you from that portion if you refuse same. According to the Amish interpretation this is not the Christian way of life, so we urge all to be cautious.

Community note from Apple Creek, Ohio. The following is part of a letter in THE BUDGET by Ray E. Weaver, Apple Creek R2, Ohio, formerly of Juniata Co. and Brush Valley, Penna. "I am slowly improving from a heart attack of two weeks ago. I had terrific pain for two days and it left me in a weak condition. The doctors did not let me bathe myself for 11 days, during which time I was bedfast. I am now up on a chair a short time each day and don't know how long I will have to stay here at the Wooster hospital."

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past by Amos L. Fisher

As stated in the April issue of THE DIARY three of Michael Lapp's children remained in Chester County after his removal to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. One of them was Abraham Lapp born in 1785, died 1860 and is buried in the old Amish Cemetery two miles north of Malvern. His wife's name was Frances Kauffman who died in 1833. Not too much is known of the Abraham Lapp family except that he was great-great-grandfather of Miss Dorthy Lapp who has been the Historian at the West Chester Historical Society for the last forty years. She, herself does not know how large a family they had, but her great-grandfather was Levi Kauffman Lapp, her grandfather was Loranzo Hassel Lapp born May 1, 1846, died December 20, 1898 in Philadelphia, her father was Elbert W. Lapp who died in 1915. There is a copy of the bill of sale in the West Chester Historical Society of the farm of Abraham Lapp dated October 23, 1827 being land joiners to Christian Lapp and others. Abraham Lapp and Christian Lapp both of Chester County were both named guardian of their late brother Isaac Lapp's children of Lampeter Township.

Another of Michael Lapp's children who remained in Chester County was David Lapp, born January 9, 1777, died August 20, 1824 in Blairsville, Indiana County, Pennsylvania while on a trip. This was the same year that his father, Michael Lapp died. He was married to Mary Riddle of Chester County. To them were born two daughters, Hannah Jane, born November 29, 1817 and Martha Ann, born November 11, 1824, two and one half months after her father died. Martha Ann died August 25, 1829 at five years of age and Hannah Jane died March 6, 1840 in Illinois. She was never married. Mary Riddle Lapp married as her second husband John White and moved to Illinois in 1837.

Another of Michael Lapp's children was Susannah Lapp, born April 8, 1784. She was married to Henry Beiler or Byler, a son of Christopher Beiler by his second marriage, he being a full brother to Pre. Joseph Beiler of Ronks and an uncle to old Bishop David Beiler of Lancaster County. Christopher Beiler at the age of nine years came with his parents, Jacob Beilers from Germany and landed at Philadelphia October 8, 1737. From here they traveled north and west along the Schuylkill River to Berks County. From there they settled in Caernarvon Township, Lancaster Co., where it is believed Henry Beiler grew to manhood. After his marriage to Susannah Lapp they purchased from Robert Hamilton in 1811 in Leacock Township a tract of land consisting of one hundred and twenty acres, it being the farm now owned by Levi S. Esh (the former Isaac Z. Smoker farm) one mile north of Gordonville. Here Henry Beiler and wife donated one fourth acre of land for a school house along Gordonville Road. On this they lived and raised their family till in 1827 when they decided to buy cheaper land and purchased land in Stark County, Ohio. They sold their farm in Lancaster County to his nephew Bishop David Beiler in 1827 who in 1834 sold this farm to Christian Beiler his son who some years later sold it to Benjamin Leaman .

In the spring of 1827 Henry Beiler, wife and family and a Nicholas Yoder family who was a wheelwright by trade in the town of Intercourse, Lancaster County and actively engaged in the manufacturing of the famous Conestoga wagons which at that time was the only means of over land transportation. These two families with household goods set out for cheaper land, pushed west over the Allegheny Mountains, fording rivers and streams in several Conestoga wagons over the Ohio line into Stark County in a period of twenty days. Nicholas Yoders settled near Martins Creek, Holmes County, Ohio. In later years his grandson, Jacob Yoder became minister and Bishop in the Amish Church of that county. Henry Beiler, wife and family lived only a few years in Stark when he sold out in 1836 to John Numan and purchased land in Pleasant Township in Fairfield County, Ohio where there was a progressing congregation of Amish at that time. It consisted of names as Glick, Miller, Zook, Lantz, Yoder, and King. Christian King the son of the emigrant Samuel King moved from Berks County to Lancaster Co. west of Intercourse in 1796 from there to Mifflin County in 1806, from there to Fairfield County, Ohio as an Amish preacher. C. Z. Mast writes in The Annals of the Conestoga Valley, that he has a letter on hand from a Dr. Joseph M. Byler, a grandson of Henry Beiler, stating how his grandparents migrated from Lancaster Co., Pa. to Ohio. It is not known to the writer just how many children were born to Henry Beilers but in his will he names four; namely: John who was insane and was to be taken care of by the family, and Christian, Samuel, and Henry Jr. Henry Sr. died in 1846 and is buried in the Amish Cemetery of that place.

[So you will note these are two more Amish families that moved out of Lancaster Co. in the second decade of the nineteenth century.]

Another of Michael Lapp's children was Mary, born June 20, 1775. Very little is known about her, but when her father's estate was settled in 1825 she was mentioned as Mary Kurtz widow. There is a tombstone marker in the Gordonville Cemetery beside that of Michael Lapp bearing the inscription, "M. Kaurtz" which is believed to be this Mary Kurtz.

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THE CHRISTIAN STOLTZFUS FAMILY

Buried at:
1 John Stoltzfus 1776-1857 m. Veronica dau of Samuel and Anna (Yoder) King Myers
m. II Catherine Unsecker Myers
10 Christian 1797-1873 m. Mary dau of Peter and Sara (Yoder) Summers Myers
m. II Catherine Blank Millwood
11 Anna 1799-1870 m. Christian son of George Petersheim Myers
12 Elizabeth 1802-1885 m. John son of George Petersheim Millwood
13 John 1805-1884 m. Mary dau of John and Mary (Kurtz) Mast Myers
14 Samuel 1809-1881 m. Frannie dau of Pre. Joseph and Mary (Lapp) Beiler Myers
15 Leah 1813-1900 m. Jacob Speicher Stoltzfus
2 Jacob Stoltzfus 1779-1810 m. Mary dau of Bishop John and Barbara (King) Blank
20 Barbara 1801-1890 m. Michael son of John and Mary (Rickenbach) Lapp Myers
21 Christian 1803-1883 m. Susan dau of Sam and Magdalena (Fisher) Lantz Union Co. Pa.
m II Lydia dau of Jacob and Lydia (Hertzler) Beiler
22 John 1805-1871 m. Catherine dau of Christian and Elizabeth Hooley Tennessee
23 Jacob 1808-1892 m. Barbara dau of John and Barbara (Fisher) King Myers
m. Nancy dau of Daniel and Barbara (Lapp) Smucker, widow of Absalam Kana
3 Christian Stoltzfus 1781-1865 m. Anna dau of Bishop John and Barbara (King) Blank
30 Catherine 1804-1869 m. Christian son of John and Barbara (Fisher) King Ronks
31 Elizabeth 1806-1864 m. John son of John and Barbara (Fisher) King Stoltzfus
m. II Henry son of Henry and Sara (Hertzler) Lantz Myers
32 Barbara -1830 m. Benjamin son of John and Barbara (Fisher) King
He married Lydia dau of David Zook
33 John 1810-1897 m. Elizabeth dau of Jacob Umble Stoltzfus
m. II Elizabeth Nafzinger
34 Samuel 1814-1883 m. Susan dau of Bishop David and Elizabeth (Fisher) Beiler
35 Rebecca 1816-1902 m. Christian son of Bishop David and Elizabeth (Fisher) Beiler
36 Anna 1819-1903 m. Samuel son of John and Fannie (King) Lapp Gordonville
37 Christian 1821-1894 m. Katie dau of Christian and Catherine (King) Kurtz Myers
38 Susan 1826-1903 m. John son of John and Fannie (King) Lapp Gordonville
3A Catherine Stoltzfus 1785-1879 m. Jacob Steinman, born in France (no children) Myers
4 Anna Stoltzfus 1786-1865 m. Henry son of Christian and Barbara (Plank) Umble
40 Christian 1809-1896 m. Leah dau of David and Mary (Lapp) Smucker Millwood
Elizabeth 1813-1864; Barbara; Katie Millwood
41 Henry 1821-1871 m. Susie dau of Christian and Fannie(Petersheim) Miller Millwood
Stenia died young
42 Anna 1829-1913 m. John Neuhauser Myers
43 Stena m. Christian son of Christian and Catherine (Yoder) Blank Millwood
5 Elizabeth Stoltzfus 1788-1869 m. Andrew son of Louis and Mary (Summers) Miller (no children)
6 Barbara Stoltzfus 1789-1866 m. Isaac son of Michael Lapp Union Co. Pa.
60 Elizabeth 1811-1864 m. Jacob L. King
61 John B. 1813-1882 m. Catherine dau of John and Barbara (Fisher) King Gordonville
Anna 1815-1817 Gordonville
62 Christian 1816-1898 m. Lydia Shamback Myers
Isaac 1818-1820 Gordonville
63 Barbara 1820-1892 m. Jacob Yoder
II m. Michael Swartz, born in France Wayne Co. O.
64 Jacob S. Swartz 1835-1913 m. Magdalena Stoltzfus 1832-1883 Millwood
m. II to a Stuckie widow of Mifflin Co. Pa.
7 Abraham Stoltzfus 1791-1871 m. Susanna dau of Christian and Susanna (Souder) Fisher Myers
Elizabeth 1816-1891 single Myers
70 David 1818-1892 m. Sarah dau of David and Barbara (Lapp) Smucker Myers
m. II Sarah dau of Christian and Catherine (King) Peachey
71 Elias -1897 m. Elizabeth dau of Christian and Catharina (King) Kurtz Myers
72 Susanna 1821-1908 m. John son of Christian Blank Myers
m. II David son of John and Elizabeth (Lapp) Beiler Myers
Abraham 1823-1827; Catherine 1826-1826
73 Barbara 1827-1894 m. Abraham son of Jacob Kurtz
74 Anna 1829-1913 m. John son of Christian and Barbara (Blank) Neuhauser Myers
75 John F. 1832-1886 m. Mary dau of Stephen and Hanna (Miller) Mast, widow of Christian L.
76 Abraham 1834-1903 m. Catherine Bollinger dau of Elizabeth Heil Myers Fisher
77 Jacob 1839-1905 m. Hannah dau of Pre. Daniel and Rachel (Blank) Mast Myers
8 David Stoltzfus 1792-1862 m. Anna dau of Christian and Susanna (Souder) Fisher Myers
80 Elizabeth 1814-1892 m. Christian Ebersole Myers
81 Barbara 1817-1892 m. Levi son of David and Barbara (King) Zook Myers
82 Mary 1819-1893 m. Jacob son of Pre. John and Frannie (Lantz) Blank Stoltzfus
Isaac 1821-1823
83 Susanna 1824-1885 m. Abram son of Abram and Martha (Nissley) King Myers
84 David 1826-1896 m. Sallie dau of Pre. Daniel and Rachel (Blank) Mast Spring Garden
85 Jonathan 1828-1914 m. Elizabeth dau of Samuel and Sara (Lapp) Kauffman Myers
9 Franny Stoltzfus 1793-1817 m. Christian son of Christian and Susanna (Souder) Fisher
90 Susan 1812-1902 m. Jonathan son of John and Fannie (King) Lapp Gordonville
91 Elias 1814-1890 m. Leah dau of John and Fannie (King) Lapp Gordonville
92 Fannie B. 1816-1902 m. Jacob son of David Renno Ronks

CHILDREN

100 John S. 101 Samuel, 102 Mary, 103 Fannie, 104 Catherine
110 John, 111 Samuel, 112 Abram, 113 Leah, 114 Christian
120 Christian, 121 Samuel, 122 Leah, 123 John, 124 Gideon, 124 Nancy, 125 Fannie, 126 Rachel,
127 Christian
130 Lydia, 131 Nancy, 132 Stephen, 133 Henry, 134 Hannah, 135 Mary, 136 John M. (Dick John)
140 Barbara, 141 Solomon, 142 Joseph, 143 Samuel, 144 Jacob, 145 Michael, 146 Fannie, 147 Mose,
148 Leah
150 John, 151 Nancy, 152 Leah

200 Jacob, 201 Rebecca, 202 Mary, 203 Barbara, 204 Sarah, 205 Leah, 206 Susan, 207 Elizabeth
Samuel 1825-1883, 210 Maria, 211 Jacob, 212 Magdalena, 213 Simeon, Christian 1853, 214 John.
215 Susanna, 216 Isaac, David 1846-1850, 217 Jonathan, 218 Nancy, 219 Elizabeth, Barbara 1859-,
Eli, Benjamin, Lydia 1863-1883
220 Mary, 221 Elizabeth, 222 Rebecca, 223 Barbara, 224 Catherine, 225 Gideon, 226 Leah, 227 Rachel,
228 Malinda, 229 Sara, Salome 1846-1846, 229a John 229b Jacob
230 John, 231 Jonathan, 232 Jacob, 233 Rebecca, 234 Mary, 234 Barbara, 235 Simeon, 236 Stephen,
237 Mose, 238 Susanna, 239 Catherine
300 Barbara, 301 Susanna, 302 Rebecca, 303 John, 304 Jonathan, 305 Anna, 306 Christian,
307 Benjamin, 308 Samuel, 309 Catherine, 309a Elizabeth
310 Susie 311 Christian, 312 Nancy, 313 Katie, 314 Elizabeth, 315 Benjamin, 316 Rebecca, 317 Elizabeth
John 1830-1830
330 Nancy, 331 Mary, 332 Jacob, 333 John, 334 Jonas, 335 Fannie, 336 Daniel, 337 Henry, 338 Christian,
339 Amos, 339a Elizabeth, b Samuel, c Bena, d Isaac
340 Benjamin, David died young, 341 Anna, 342 Jacob, 343 Samuel, 344 Christian, 345 Gideon,
346 Simeon, 347 Elizabeth, 348 Rebecca, 349 Susanna
350 David, 351 Annie, 352 Lizzie, 353 Rebecca, Christian, 354 Katie, 355 Susie, 356 John, 357 Jonas,
358 Samuel, 359 Benjamin, 359a Sara
360 Christian, 361 Fannie, 362 Rebecca, 363 Sarah.
370 Elizabeth, 371 Annie, 372 Mary, 373 Jonas, 374 Isaac, 374 Christian, 375 Benuel

Gideon 1848-1850, Annie 1850-1853, Jonathan 1852-1853, Rebecca, Jacob 1856-1856, 381 Christian,
382 Sara, Jonas 1861-1863, John 1863-1864, 283 Susan, 384 Lydia, 385 Fannie

400 David, 401 Nancy, 402 Rebecca, Rachel 1841-, 403 Leah, 404 Christian, Henry 1850-1852,
405 Levi, 406 Samuel

410 Nancy, 411 Christian, 412 Henry

Catherine 1852-1903, 430 Anna, Elizabeth 1857-1864, 431 Henry, Christian 1861-1864, Jacob 1862-64,
432 Lizzie

600 Barbara, 601 Salome, 602 John, 603 Mary, 604 Katherine, Sara 1847-1847, 605 Jacob, Solomon 1851-
610 Christian, 611 Joshua, John 1837-1838, 612 Barbara, Sara 1840-1851, Lizzie 1842-1843,
613 Benjamin, Jonathan 1845-1846, 614 Katie, 615 Susie, John M. 1854-1857, 616 Isaac

620 Isaac, 621 Barbara, 622 Katie, 623 John

630 John, 631 Christ, 632 Jacob

700 Susanna, 701 Abram, 702 Elias, 703 Nancy, 704 Barbara, Michael 1852-1868, 705 David, twin
infants 1859, Fannie 1860- 1886, Lizzie 1862-1910, 706 Christian, 707 Jeptha, 708 Moses, 709 John,
709a Solomon, 709b Samuel
710 Rebecca, 711 Katie, 712 Elias, 713 Christian, 714 Abraham, 715 Aaron, 716 Elizabeth

720 Abraham, 721 Lizzie, Mary 1858-1863, Susie 1859-1863, 722 John, 723 Rebecca, 724 Susie.

Susanna 1853-1853, 730 Abram, 731 Sara, 732 Isaac, Elizabeth 1860-1916, 733 Barbara, Catherine
1866-1866, 734 Jacob, 735 Annie
740 John, 741 Barbara
750 Stephen ., Lydia, Elizabeth 1864-1871, Malinda 1869-1869, 751 John A., Amos 1872-1872,
Isaac 1874-1874, Benjamin 1877-1877

Daniel M. 1869-1870, 770 Jacob M., Annie 1876-1878

800 Susanna, 801 David, 802 Elizabeth, 803 John, Barbara 1846-1922, 804 Mary, 805 Sara, Jacob
1843-1934, Anna 1855-1925, Catherine 1858-1949
810 Jonathan, 811 Leah, 812 David, 813 Nancy, Levi 1847-1848, 814 Levi, 815 Simeon, 816 Barbara,
817 Lydia, 818 Menno
820 Fannie, 821 David, 822 John, 823 Nancy, 824 Sarah, 825 Mary

830 David, 831 Mattie, Anna 1850-1853, Abbie 1851-1853, 832 Susie, 833 Levi, 834 Lizzie, 835 Abram
836 Nancy, John 1865-1871
840 Daniel, Annie 1853-, 841 Rachel, 842 Mary, Sarah 1863-1864, 843 John, 844 David
850 Samuel, 851 Gideon, 852 David, 853 Nancy, 854 Isaac, 855 Jonathan, 856 Elizabeth, Amos 1875-1881

900 Leah, 901 Elizabeth, 902 Susan, Fannie 1840- 1939, Eli 1842-1914, 903 Sarah, 904 Jonathan,
Fannie 1835-1835, Catherine 1848-1876, 905 Christian, 906 Gideon

910 Christian, Fannie 1841-1841, Jonathan 1843-, 911 Eli

920 Eli, 921 Elizabeth, 922 David, 923 Susie, 924 Leah, Christian 1852-1862, 925 Fannie, 926 Sarah

Stoltzfus
100. John S. 1828 - 1902 bur. Tennessee m. Elizabeth Stoltzfus (221)
101. Samuel - 1886 m. Mary Esh
102. Mary 1834 - 1925 bur. Columbiana Co., O. m. 1863 Jacob son of John & Ester (Esh) Riehl
103. Fannie m. 1861 John son of John & Ester (Esh) Riehl
104. Catherine m. Peter Esh
Petersheim
110. John 1823 - 1893 m. Catherine Unsecker
111. Samuel 1828 - 1915 bur. Myers m. Barbara Lapp (203)
112. Abram 1831 - 1895 m. 1857 Leah Lapp (205)
113. Leah m. David son of David and Mary (Lapp) Smucker
114. Christian died single. He lived with family #112 in later years.
Petersheim
120. Christian 1824 - 1907 m. 1846 Susan (301)
121. Samuel 1829 - 1900 m. 1855 Mary dau of Daniel and Rachel (Blank) Mast, Conestoga
122. Leah 1832 - 1905 m. 1854 Jonathan L. son of Benjamin and Lydia (Lantz) Fisher
123. John 1841 - 1923 m. Lizzie dau of Christian and Catherine (Yoder) Blank
124. Gideon 1842 - 1912 m. Annie dau of Benjamin and Lydia (Zook) King
125. Nancy 1837 - 1917 m. Christian (610)
126. Fannie m. Joseph Kennel
127. Rachel m. John Lapp son of Valley John Lapp
128. Christiana m. Moses Riehl son of Jacob Riehl
Stoltzfus
Immigrants
130. Lydia 1829 - 1898 m. 1848 Christian son of Christian & Fannie (Petersheim) Miller
131. Nancy 1831 - 1900 m. 1849 Stephen son of Pre. John and Fannie (Lantz) Blank
m. II Joseph Y. son of John and Elizabeth (Lapp) Beiler
132. Stephen 1834 - 1921 m. 1861 Nancy (402) II Leah (403)
133. Henry 1838 - 1914 m. 1860 Leah (811)
134. Hannah m. Samuel Blank
135. Mary m. David King son of Benjamin King
136. John M. m. Catherine Lapp son of Christian Lapp
Stoltzfus
140. Solomon 1832 - 1916 m. 1857 Sara (204)
141. Jacob - 1913 m. Fannie (820)
142. Moses 1853 - 1928 m. 1877 Sara (359A)
143. Leah 1834 - 1914 m. Noah son of David and Mary (Lapp) Smucker
Speicher
150. John 1836 - 1890 m. Elizabeth (802)
Lapp
200. Jacob 1818 - 1855 m. 1840 Elizabeth dau of Bishop David & Elizabeth (Fisher) Beiler
201. Rebecca 1820 - 1901 m. 1843 Eli Zook son of Bishop Long Christian Zook
202. Mary 1822 - 1899 m. 1843 Christian son of Joseph and Mary (Lapp) Beiler
203. Barbara 1831 - 1900 m. Samuel Petersheim (111)
204. Sarah 1833 - 1897 m. 1857 Solomon Stoltzfus (140)
205. Leah 1835 - 1930 m. 1857 Abram Petersheim (112)
206. Susan 1839 - 1913 m. 1860 John Berkey
207. Elizabeth 1843 - 1922 m. Benjamin son of Benjamin and Lydia (Lantz) Fisher
Stoltzfus
210. Maria 1827 - 1907 m. 1849 Christian King (311)
211. Jacob 1829 - 1885 m. 1850 Annie King (312)
212. Magdalena 1832 - 1878 m. Jacob Swartz (64)
213. Simeon 1834 - 1884 m. Mattie dau of Joseph and Barbara (Zook) Hertzler
214. John 1839 - 1880 m. 1869 Susie Dau of Christian Augsburger
215. Susanna 1842 - 1913 m. Christian son of Henry and Christiana (Kurtz) Zook
216. Isaac 1844 m. 1867 Barbara dau of Absalom and Nancy (Smoker) Kanagy
217. Jonathan 1848 - 1908 m. 1867 Lydia dau of Abram and Catherine (Headings) Esh
218. Nancy m. Benjamin Franklin Umble
219. Elizabeth 1857 - 1933 m. 1879 David Stoltzfus (705)
219A Eli m. Martha Ellen Yoder
Stoltzfus
220. Mary 1829 - 1916 m. David son of Bishop David and Elizabeth (Fisher) Beiler
221. Elizabeth 1828 - 1899 m. John Stoltzfus son of Christian and Mary (Summers) Stoltzfus (100)
222. Rebecca m. John M. Mast son of Stephen Mast
223. Barbara m. Samuel Kauffman son of Samuel Kauffman
224. Catherine m. Christian Neuhauser son of John and Lydia (Blank) Neuhauser
225. Gideon m. Susanna Mast dau of John Mast
226. Christian m. Mary daughter of Samuel and Fannie (Umble) Blank
227. Leah m. Jonathan Yoder
228. Rachel 1843 - 1928 m. Christian L. Kauffman son of Samuel Kauffman
229. Malinda m. Henry U. Stoltzfus (337)
229A Sara 1847 - 1878 m. Benuel Mast son of Isaac Mast
229B John B. m. Mary Hartz
229C Jacob m. Mattie Detweiler

Stoltzfus
230. John 1831 - 1905 m. 1854 Barbara dau of David and Fannie (Byler) Mast
231. Jonathan 1832 - 1901 m. 1856 Elizabeth dau of Janathan and Susan (Fisher) Lapp
232. Jacob 1836 - 1906 m. Nancy dau of Samuel and Sara (Lapp) Kauffman
233. Rebecca 1838 - 1898 m. 1857 Daniel son of Shem and Mattie (Riehl) Esh
234. Mary 1840 - 1937 m. Michael son of Samuel and Sara (Lapp) Kauffman
235. Simeon 1844 - 1875 m. Sara dau of Abram and Catherine (Headings) Esh
236. Catherine 1852 - 1936 m. Jonas K. Stoltzfus (373)
King
300. Barbara 1824 - 1917 m. Simeon son of David and Barbara (King) Zook
301. Susan 1826 - 1902 m. Christian Petersheim (120)
302. John 1832 - 1922 m. 1854 Leah dau of Jonathan and Leah (Fisher) Lapp
303. Jonathan 1833 - 1910 m. Katie daughter of John Lapp
304. Anna 1835 - 1909 m. Jonathan son of Samuel and Sara (Lapp) Kauffman
305. Christian 1837 - 1902 m. 1866 Elizabeth dau of Jacob & Nancy (Hertzler) Beiler, Union Co.
306. Benjamin 1839 - 1912 m. Catherine Stoltzfus (711)
307. Samuel 1841 - 1900 m. Barbara dau of Eli and Rebecca (Lapp) Zook
308. Catherine 1847 - 1878 m. David Yoder
King
310. Susie 1821 - 1911 m. John son of Samuel and Sarah (Lapp) Kauffman
311. Christian 1827 - 1912 Bishop m. Mary dau of Dea. Christian and Susanna (Lantz)Stoltzfus
312. Nancy 1829 - 1917 m. 1850 Jacob son of Christian and Susanna (Lantz) Stoltzfus
313. Catharine 1832 - 1920 m. Jacob L. son of John and Elizabeth (Lapp) Beiler
314. Elizabeth
Lantz, children of second marriage
315. Benjamin 1838 - 1912 m. 1860 Susan dau of Jonathan and Susan (Fisher) Lapp
316. Rebecca m. Michael son of John and Rachel (King) Lapp
317. Elizabeth m. Isaac son of Christian and Lydia(Schaneback)Lapp
King
320. John 1830 - 1830
Stoltzfus
330. Nancy 1831 - m. 1851 Christian K. son of John and Fannie (King) Lapp
333. John U. 1835 - 1904 m. Rachel dau of Stephen and Hannah (Miller) Mast
334. Jonas 1838 - 1919 m. 1859 Catharine dau of Stephen and Hannah (Miller) Mast
335. Fannie 1840 - 1924 m. 1858 Henry son of Benjamin and Lydia (Lantz) Fisher
336. Daniel 1841 - 1919 Minister m. Rebecca dau of Elias and Elizabeth (Kurtz) Stoltzfus
337. Henry U. 1843 - 1901 m. 1870 Malinda dau of Bish. Tenn. John and Catharine Stoltzfus
338. Christian U.1845- 1933 Minister m. Malinda dau of John and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Mast
339. Amos 1847 - 1918 m. Emma dau of Isaac and Mary (Kurtz) Mast
339A Elizabeth 1849 - 1942 m. 1867 Joel son of Benjamin and Lydia (Lantz) Fisher
339B Samuel U. 1851 - 1921 m. Elizabeth dau of Jacob and Lydia (Mast) Zook
339C J. Bena m. John Smucker son of David Smucker
339D Isaac m. Fannie Riehl
Stoltzfus
340. Benjamin 1835 - 1902 m. Sarah dau of Stephen and Hannah (Miller) Mast
341. Anna 1838 - 1898 m. David son of Christian and Leah (Smoker) Umble
342. Jacob 1839 - 1914 m. Eva Garver
343. Samuel 1842 - 1897 m. Mattie dau of Jacob and Nancy (Hertzler) Beiler
345. Gideon 1845 - 1924 m. 1870 Sarah dau of Jonathan and Susan (Fisher) Lapp
346. Simeon 1847 - 1889 m. 1870 Sarah dau of Jacob and Maria (Stoltzfus) Blank
Beiler
350. David 1834 - 1925 m. 1861 Rebecca dau of Jacob and Barbara (Hooley) Esh
352. Lizzie 1838 - 1885 m. Christian son of Samuel and Barbara (Lantz) Glick
354. Katie 1844 - 1928 m. David son of Samuel and Barbara (Lantz) Glick
356. John 1848 - 1932 m. 1871 Mary dau of Jacob K. and Lydia (Mast) Zook
357. Jonas 1850 - 1903 m. 1875 Lizzie dau of Benjamin and Sarah (Smoker) Fisher
358. Samuel 1853 - 1943 m. 1878 Barbara dau of Jonathan K. & Elizabeth (Lapp)Stoltzfus
359. Benjamin 1855 - 1941 m. Nancy dau of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Kauffman) Stoltzfus
359A Sarah 1857 - 1946 m. 1877 Mose son of Samuel and Fannie (Beiler) Stoltzfus
Lapp
360. Christian 1841 - 1925 m. 1865 Nancy dau of David and Sarah (Smucker) Stoltzfus
362. Rebecca 1846 - 1909 m. 1867 Abraham son of David and Sarah (Smucker) Stoltzfus
363. Sarah 1868 - m. 1888 Jonathan son of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Kauffman) Stoltzfus
Stoltzfus
370. Elizabeth 1844 - 1929 m. 1862 Samuel L. son of Benjamin and Lydia (Lantz) Fisher
371. Annie 1854 - 1936 m. Joel son of Benjamin and Lydia (Zook) King
372. Mary 1858 - 1945 m. Gideon son of Jonathan and Susan (Fisher) Lapp
373. Jonas 1851 - 1924 m. Catharine dau of Jacob and Barbara (King) Stoltzfoos
374. Isaac 1847 - 1929 m. Rebecca dau of Eli and Rebecca (Lapp) Zook
375. Christian 1861 - 1937 m. Rebecca dau of Jacob and Fannie (Lapp) Fisher
376. Benuel 1864 - m. 1889 Lydia dau of Jonathan L. and Leah (Petersheim) Fisher

Lapp
380. Rebecca 1854 - 1904 m. Henry Zook
381. Christian 1857 - 1913 m. Rebecca dau of John & Sarah (Esh) Fisher, II - Lydia Beiler
382. Sarah 1859 - 1939 m. Jacob Esh son of Daniel and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Esh
383. Susan 1864 - 1920 m. Isaac L. son of Samuel and Barbara (Shanbeck) Fisher
384. Lydia 1870 - 1920 m. Amos L. son of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Lapp) Fisher
385. Fannie 1870 - 1905 m. 1893 John L. son of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Lapp) Fisher
Umble
400. David 1835 - 1921 m. Anna dau of Samuel and Susan (Beiler) Stoltzfus
401. Nancy 1837 - 1879 m. 1861 Stephen son of John and Mary (Mast) Stoltzfus, II -(403)
402. Rebecca m. Joseph son of Christian and Nancy (Zook) Hertzler
403. Leah - 1931 m. Stephen son of John and Mary (Mast) Stoltzfus
404. Christian m. Lizzie Swartzentruber
405. Levi m. Stena Swartzentruber
406. Samuel m. Savilla Loar, II - Barbara dau of Michael & Barbara(King)Sm
daughter of Jacob Loar
Umble
410. Nancy m. Nicholas son of Peter and Fannie (Glick) Summers
411. Christian 1861 - 1936 m. 1885 Elizabeth dau of Gideon and Fannie (Esh) Fisher
412. Henry M. 1858 - 1933 m. 1881 Malinda dau of Samuel and Mary (Yoder) Glick
Blank
420. Anna 1854 - 1927 m. Benjamin son of David and Magdalena (Lantz) Glick
421. Henry 1851 - 1923 m. 1881 Lydia,dau of Saul Levi and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Zook
422. Elizabeth 1866 - 1899 m. 1886 Henry son of Christian and Mary (Stoltzfus) King
King
600. Barbara 1830 - 1897 m. 1851 Yost son of John and Leah Zook
601. Salome 1833 - m. 1857 Jeptha Hostetler
602. John 1835 - m. 1856 Elizabeth dau of Samuel and Mirian (Hartzler) Staybrook
603. Mary 1838 - 1923 m. Menno son of Jacob and Barbara (Zook) Hartzler
604. Katherine 1844 - 1934 m. 1865 John G. son of John and Anna(Hartzler)Zook
605. Jacob 1849 - m. 1871 Mattie Knepp
606. Elizabeth 1841 - m. Peter Troyer
607. Isaac 1840 - m 1869 Lydia Zook
Lapp
610. Christian 1834 - 1917 m. Nancy dau of John and Elizabeth (Stoltzfus) Petersheim
611. Joshua 1835 - 1919 m. 1862 Mary dau of Jacob and Elizabeth (Beiler) Lapp
612. Barbara 1839 - 1922 m. 1863 Samuel son of David and Mary (Lapp) Smoker
613. Benjamin 1847 - 1925 m. Christiann dau of Peter and Fannie (Glick) Summers
614. Katie 1848 - 1933 m. 1874 Daniel M. son of David and Sallie (Mast) Stoltzfus
615. Susan 1850 - 1872 m. Elias son of Elias and Elizabeth (Kurtz) Stoltzfus
616. Isaac 1856 - 1934 m. 1878 Nancy dau of Abraham and Leah (Lapp) Petersheim
Lapp
620. Isaac 1840 - 1911 m. 1863 Elizabeth dau of Henry & Elizabeth (Stoltzfus) Lantz
Elizabeth first married to a King
621. Barbara 1842 - 1931 m. 1864 Samuel son of Christian and Elizabeth (Blank) Fisher
622. Katie 1845 - 1932 m. 1865 John M. son of Bish. John K. and Mary (Mast) Stoltzfus
623. John 1849 - 1926 m. 1871 Fannie dau of Stephen and Nancy (Stoltzfus) Blank
m. II 1897 Rebecca (Mast) dau of Daniel Stoltzfus
m. III 1913 Katie dau of Jacob and Katie Beiler

Yoder
630. John Lancaster
631. Christ lived at Ronks
632. Jacob m. Susan Hershey
Stoltzfus
700. Jonathan 1843 - 1913 m. Elizabeth dau of Samuel and Caroline (Yoder) King
701. Abraham - 1899 m. Rebecca dau of Samuel and Annie (Stoltzfus) Lapp
702. Elias 1846 - 1894 m. Lydia dau of John and Mattie Smucker
m. II Rebecca dau of Daniel and Rachel (Blank) Mast
703. Nancy 1855 - 1913 m. 1865 Christian son of Samuel and Nancy (Stoltzfus) Lapp
704. Barbara 1849 - 1867
705. David 1854 - 1897 m. 1879 Elizabeth B. dau of Christian and Lydia (Beiler) Stoltzfus
David was the last Amish minister ordained in Union Co., died at age 43
706. Christian 1864 - 1895 m. 1890 Katie dau of Isaac and Rebecca (Zook) Stoltzfus
707. Jeptha P. 1866 - 1920 m. Malinda dau of Michael and Mary (Stoltzfus) Kauffman
708. Moses 1868 - 1949 m. Annie K. dau of Joseph and Sarah (Kauffman) Beiler
709. John 1877 - 1928 m. 1895 Levina dau of Jacob and Fannie (Smoker) Kauffman
709A Solomon 1871 - 1948 m. 1895 Sarah L. dau of Abraham and Leah (Lapp) Petersheim
709B Samuel 1875 - 1879
Stoltzfus
710. Rebecca 1843 - 1900 m. Daniel son of Pre. John and Elizabeth (Umble) Stoltzfus
711. Katie 1845 - 1925 m. Benjamin son of John and Barbara (Fisher) King
712. Elias 1849 - 1919 m. Susan dau of John S. and Catharine (King) Lapp
713. Christian 1851 - 1907 m. Elizabeth dau of Jacob and Elizabeth (Beiler) Lapp
m. II Lavina dau of Joel and Elizabeth (Stoltzfus) Fisher

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714.	Abraham	1847 - 1934	m. Susan dau of John and Annie (Umble) Neuhauser
715.	Aaron K.	1854 - 1930	m. 1877 Catharine dau of John and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Mast
716.	Elizabeth	1861 -	m. 1889 Christian son of John and Fannie (Stoltzfus) Riehl
	Beiler		
720.	Abraham	1851 - 1909	m. Susan dau of Abraham and Susan (Stoltzfus) King
721.	Lizzie	1854 - 1892	m. 1877 Levi son of Abraham and Susan (Stoltzfus) King
722.	John	1861 - 1937	m. 1885Nancy dau of Christian and Mary (Stoltzfus) King
723.	Rebecca	1863 - 1943	m. 1883 Menno son of Henry and Leah (Zook) Stoltzfus
724.	Susie	1865 - 1944	m. Eli son of Moses and Catharine (Summers) Smucker
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730.	Abraham	1855 - 1912	m. 1878 Susanna dau of Jacob and Frances Yoder
731.	Sarah		m. Jacob (his second marriage) son of John and Salome (Zook) Beiler
732.	Isaac	1862 - 1922	m. 1887 Susan Esh
733.	Barbara	1864 - 1933	m. 1890 Samuel son of Samuel and Mary (Mast) Petersheim
734.	Jacob	1867 - 1923	m. 1890 Lydia dau of John M. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Mast
735.	Annie	1870 - 1938	m. 1893 Gideon son of Eli and Mattie (Fisher) Zook
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740.	John	1863 -	m. 1884 Mary dau of Moses J. and Catharine (Summers) Smucker
741.	Barbara	1852 - 1873	m. 1870 Christian son of David and Magdalena (Lantz) Glick
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750.	Stephen F.	1865 - 1941	m. 1887 Susanna dau of Benjamin and Susan (Lapp) Lantz
751.	John A.	1870 - 1957	m. 1891 Annie K. dau of John and Barbara (Mast) Stoltzfus m. II to Amanda Beachy
752.	Lydia	1866 - 1933	m. 1885 David R. son of Joshua and Barbara (Renno) Smoker
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760.	Eli B.	1857 - 1927	m. Rachel dau of Henry and Fannie (Stoltzfus) Fisher
761.	Mary	1861 - 1952	m. John Y. Blank
762.	Abram	1866 - 1916	m. Emma dau of John J. and Barbara (Mast) Stoltzfus
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770.	Jacob	1872 - 1949	m. 1892 Nancy K. dau of Jacob and Anna (King) Stoltzfus
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801.	David	1839 - 1887	m. Esther dau of John and Esther (Esh) Riehl
802.	Elizabeth	1841 - 1926	m. John son of Jacob and Leah (Stoltzfus) Speicher
803.	John	1844 - 1881	m. 1873 Magdalena dau of Andrew and Fannie (King) Diener
804.	Mary	1848 - 1936	m. 1874 Christian son of Jonathan and Susan (Fisher) Lapp
805.	Sara	1851 - 1942	m. 1878 John P. son of Samuel and Caroline (Yoder) King
	Zook		
810.	Jonathan	1838 - 1891	m. 1866 Lidia Lantz
811.	Leah	1840 - 1915	m. 1860 Henry son of John K. and Mary (Mast) Stoltzfus
812.	David(twin)	1843 - 1890	m. Rebecca dau of Christian and Mary (Lapp) Beiler
813.	Nancy(twin)	1843 - 1917	m. 1888 John J. son of Jacob and Barbara (King) Stoltzfus She was his second wife
814.	Levi S.	1849 - 1916	m. 1871 Rebecca dau of Christian and Rachel (Smoker) Fisher
815.	Simeon	1851 - 1900	m. 1873 Mary dau of Christian and Rachel (Smoker) Fisher
816.	Barbara	1953 - 1942	m. 1873 David son of Ben and Sarah (Smoker) Fisher
817.	Lydia	1859 - 1897	m. 1881 Henry son of Christian Y. and Stenna (Umble) Blank
818.	Menno	1863 - 1942	m. 1886 Leah dau of Benjamin and Sarah (Smoker) Fisher m. II to Mary dau of Samuel and Elizabeth (Stoltzfus) Fisher
	Blank		
820.	Fannie	1839 - 1902	m. Jacob son of Samuel and Fannie (Beiler) Stoltzfoos
821.	David S.	1841 - 1926	m. 1866 Mary Beiler of Mifflin Co.
822.	John S.	1844 - 1918	m. 1874 Fannie dau of Jacob and Fannie (Fisher) Renno
823.	Nancy	1848 - 1925	m. 1874 John son of Christian and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Miller
824.	Sarah	1850 - 1924	m. 1870 Simeon son of Samuel and Susan (Beiler) Stoltzfus
825.	Mary	1858 - 1925	m. 1878 Eli son of David and Leah (Petersheim) Smucker
	King		
830.	David	1845 - 1929	m. Nancy dau of John and Katie (Hunsicker) Petersheim
831.	Mattie	1847 - 1926	m. 1877 John son of Christian and Mary (Stoltzfus) King
832.	Susie	1852 - 1914	m. Abraham son of David and Susie (Stoltzfus) Beiler
833.	Levi	1855 - 1933	m. Lizzie dau of David and Susie (Stoltzfus) Beiler m. II to Barbara dau of Benjamin and Sarah (Smoker) Fisher
834.	Lizzie	1857 - 1843	m. 1890 Jacob son of Jacob and Catharine (King) Beiler
835.	Abram	1859 - 1938	m. 1883 Lydia dau of Michael and Barbara (King) Smoker
836.	Nancy	1862 - 1941	m. 1883 Benjamin son of Christian and Mary (Stoltzfus) King
	Stoltzfus		
840.	Daniel M.	1850 - 1941	m. 1874 Catharine dau of John and Katie (King) Lapp
841.	Rachel	1858 - 1912	m. 1878 John H. son of Christian and Nancy (Stoltzfus) Lapp
842.	Mary	1860 - 1931	m. 1881 Jonathan L. son of John and Leah (Lapp) King
843.	John	1864 - 1929	m. 1889 Anna dau of Jonathan K. and Elizabeth (Lapp) Stoltzfus
844.	David	1866 - 1950	m. 1889 Katie L. dau of Samuel and Betsie (Stoltzfus) Fisher

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850. Samuel 1852 - 1914 m. 1873 Nancy dau of Samuel and Barbara (Lapp) Petersheim
851. Gideon K. 1854 - 1934 m. 1877 Sarah S. dau of John U. and Rachel (Mast) Stoltzfus
852. David 1856 - 1932 m. 1881 Barbara dau of Samuel and Barbara (Lapp) Petersheim
853. Nancy 1858 - 1948 m. 1878 Benjamin S. son of Christian and Rebecca (Stoltzfus)
854. Isaac 1865 - 1936 m. 1887 Malinda dau of John and Sarah (Esh) Fisher Beiler
855. Jonathan 1868 - 1946 m. 1888 Sarah dau of Abraham and Rebecca (Lapp) Stoltzfus
856. Elizabeth 1873 - 1910 m. 1892 Daniel son of Daniel and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Esh
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900. Leah 1836 - 1912 m. 1854 John son of Christian and Catharina (Stoltzfus) King
901. Elizabeth 1837 - 1922 m. 1856 Jonathan K. son of Jacob and Barbara (King) Stoltzfoos
902. Susan 1839 - 1905 m. 1840 Benjamin son of Henry and Elizabeth (Stoltzfus) King
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906. Gideon 1853 - 1932 m. 1877 Mary dau of Christian and Catharine (Kurtz) Stoltzfus
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910. Christian 1839 - 1890 m. 1870 Nancy dau of Levi and Lydia (Hooley) King
911. Elias 1847 - 1905 m. 1878 Anna King, II to Katie dau of Christian and Katie(Becker) Yoder
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920. Elias 1842 - 1935 m. 1867 Barbara dau of Samuel and Barbara (lantz(Glick
921. Elizabeth 1844 - 1928 m. 1866 David B. son of John and Mattie (Blank) Smoker
923. Susie 1849 - 1912 m. 1871 David L. son of David and Mattie (Lantz) Glick
m. 1885 David Z. son of John F. and Salome (Zook) Beiler
924. Leah 1850 - 1932 m. John L. son of David and Magdalena (Lantz) Glick
925. Fannie 1855 - 1912 m. John S. son of Jacob and Mary (Stoltzfus) Blank
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bible. This family bible document fails to mention the mother of the family. This seems to be the only record we had of this early Stoltzfus family for a long time although we do have a ship list at the court house of Philadelphia, (Strassburger and Hinke) of October 18, 1766, but it gives us little Stoltzfus family reference as it fails to list the females. We believe another ship list should exist, a report of the captain of the ship, which generally gives the whole family as they were aboard the ship.

From another Berks Co. record we take a new look at the Stoltzfus family. It is a release of the estate of Nickolas Stoltzfus after his death, reads as follows. Recorded in deed book B 2 page 454, Feb. 18, 1775: "To all people whom present, Anna widow of Nicholas Stoltzfus late of Cumru Twp., Berks Co. yeoman, deceased who did interstate John Smucker of same place and Barbara his wife, which said Barbara and Anna the wife of Christian Fohrer of Oley, and Magdalena are daughters of the said Nicholas Stoltzfus. Whereas by virtue of an order of the orphans courts of Berks County, Pa. the real estate of the said Nicholas Stoltzfus deceased was valued to Christian Stoltzfus the only son of the said deceased." Further on it reads how Jacob Kurtz is appointed guardian of Magdalena, she being a minor. Anna must have been younger but since she was married she didn't need a guardian. This reading corresponds fully with the account of Christian saying that after his father's death (1774) he left a widow and four children surviving. So the widow is now named Anna. To her maiden name we have only a few clues. From the work of Carl Yost, Zweibrüchen, Germany, archivist we can suggest that Bachmans and Detweilers have lived on the Rinkwieller hof in that period. From a letter of H. C. Sheffler, who lived in Germany originally, we have a note that indicates Schönbeck people lived on the Rinkweiller hof also. So this subject must be closed thus. Concerning the four surviving children we know now that Barbara was married to John Smucker. They lived in Bern Twp., Berks Co. (Northkill) at first, according to a deed dated March 3, 1800, between Christian Stoltzfus and his wife Elizabeth, and John Smucker of Bern Twp. and Barbara his wife. Of Anna, now married to Christian Fohrer of Oley we have no more. Magdalena may have married later but we have no records.

The layout of the Nicholas family looks like this:

Nicholas and Anna Stoltzfus

1. Christiana 1736 - 1745
2. Catherine 1745 died before 1775
3. Elizabeth 1747 died before 1775
4. Christian 1749 - 1832
5. Barbara 1751 - m. John Smucker
6. Magdelena 1757 -----------
7. Anna ? m. Christian Fohrer

THE STOLTZFUS FAMILY IN THE MILLCREEK

The turn of the century made a change of location for the Stoltzfuses. According to the deeds John[1] made the initial move to Lancaster Co. But this idea may be tentative because they didn't always move when and where they bought land. The Lancaster Co. records correspond well with the Berks Co. records in this respect that John bought a tract of land in Leacock Twp., Lancaster Co. in 1799 (deed book E 3 p 519) from Benjamin Longnecker. Traditionally this farm is located just north of Intercourse commonly known as the Jonas King farm. The fields occupy the south side of a ridge, and from tradition[2] we hear then say that the Stoltzfus girls, made a remark that the corn won't grow on these hills. From another source of tradition[3] we gather that the Christian Stoltzfus family may have accompanied this former family on the initial move and that the move was not satisfying at first. That the elder Stoltzfuses had started back to the hills of Berks Co. again one morning and left the girls home on the farm to hoe corn. At noon the girls decided to retire under a shade tree thinking that the elders would not be back at least till evening. But to their surprise the approached upon them at noonrest. This happened after the elders had driven a while with their team, they came to a point of dismay of whether they should go back to the old home in Berks Co. and it is said that at a crossroad they let the horse make the decision bringing them back to their new home before the scheduled time. At any rate the whole family was back in Leacock Twp. in a few years.

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[1] No. 1 on family chart

[2] From the John Beiler writings

[3] As related by Pre. Daniel Esh

Christian Stoltzfus Sr. bought a tract of land from Wm. Moore in 1801[4] and Jacob Stoltzfus bought a tract in Leacock Twp. from Jacob Wolf in 1803. Christian Jr. bought an additional tract in Leacock Twp. from Henry Eby in 1804. John bought the second tract in Leacock Twp. from Henry Wallace in 1819 and probably moved there then. This was long known as the "Fetter" John place of Groffdale near Bulltown. A family record of Christian Stoltzfus would read like this:

Christian Stoltzfus 1749 - 1832, married Catherine Gerber daughter of John and Susanna Gerber of Cumru Twp., Berks Co. Pa. Second marriage, Elizabeth King daughter of Samuel and Anna (Yoder) King also of Cumru Twp. Berks Co. and widow of Samuel of Samuel Lantz.

1. John married to Veronica King a sister to his father's second wife; II marriage to Catherine Unsecker (Fisher Book # 3595). They lived on the above described farms. John was ordained minister in 1805 and bishop in 1808. Tradition days that he rode in a one horse cart to Canada and started the first Amish church there. In his later years he was bedfast and helpless for five years. He was known as "Fetter Hans."

2. Jacob was married to Maria Blank daughter of Bishop John Blank of the Spring Garden area. Traditionally they lived along the Newport Road east of Intercourse on the farm where Benuel Stoltzfoos now lives. We have no official records of this. He died at about thirty years of age and is believed to be the first one of the Stoltzfus clan to be buried at Myers. Besides a widow he left four children. Three boys were all ordained to the ministry. The husband of Barbara was a deacon.

3. Christian married to Anna, also a daughter of Bishop John Blank. They lived on the farm where Deacon Aaron F. Stoltzfus now lives. The father of Aaron was the third Christian Stoltzfus to live there.

3A. Catherine married to Jacob Steinman. They lived along the Newport Road on the corner of Groffdale Road one mile northwest of Intercourse on a small property.

4. Anna married to Henry Umble a son of Christian and Barbara (Plank) Umble. They lived on the now Samuel Zook farm near Byerstown. The third Henry Umble lived on that farm in a period of 95 years. The last Henry moved to Chester County.

5. Elizabeth married to Andreas Miller. They lived on the now Daniel Miller farm one block west of Mascot. Elizabeth (#5) and Catherine (#3A) may have been the last of the family to marry as they are listed as spinsters (Old Maids) in 1822 Lancaster County records.

6. Barbara married to Isaac Lapp son of John Lapp. They lived in the Soudersburg Area.

7. Abraham was married to Susanna Fisher (Fisher Book #3132). They lived on a tract of of the home place on the banks of the Millcreek where Abram K. Stoltzfus now lives. He is the fifth Abram Stoltzfus to live there in approximately 160 years.

8. David married to Anna Fisher (Fisher Book #2819). They lived on the home farm. This farm has been in the Stoltzfus name for 170 years.

9. See Fisher Book #2077.

THE GERBER FAMILY

An article on the Stoltzfus Family certainly would not be complete without something on the Gerber family. All of us who sescend from numbers 1, 2 and 3 also descend from John and Susanna Gerber. They came to America in 1737 (list 47B page 181 vol. 1, Strassburger and Hinke) with many other associated names, that settled the Northkill. But apparently they settled in Cumru Twp. at an early date. From a legal document of Berks Co. we have the names of the family. John, the oldest son was to make settlement after his father's death. The others listed were Jacob, Christian, Abram, Daniel, Catherine wife of Christian Stoltzfus, Veronica wife of George Laub, Barbara wife of Christian Schmucker, Magdalena wife of Christian Kauffman, and Anna a minor 14 years ald. Their plantation was in Cumru Twp., Berks Co., 140 acres joining Abram Kurtz and others.

THE KING (KOENIG) FAMILY

There are many family history books that include the Samuel King family, so we will give only a brief sketch here from another Berks Co. record, an agreement between Jacob Kurtz and Samuel King, now deceased (1787). Anna King is the widow, and fourteen children namely: John, Jacob, Christian, Samuel, Abraham, David, Michael, Solomon, Magdalena wife of Jacob Kurtz, Barbara wife of John Blank, Anna wife of Christian Beiler, Elizabeth since intermarried with Christian, Catherine since intermarried with Daniel Zuk, and Veronica.

Note! a proposed article on the burials of the Stoltzfus family is to follow in the next issue of THE DIARY.

Joseph F. Beiler

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[4] According to the Berks Co. records Christian Stoltzfus had already sold his farm in Cumru Twp. in 1800 to John Smucker. In 1801 John Smucker sold his property in Brecknock Twp., Berks Co. to Solomon King.

TWO HUNDRED YEARS IN AMERICA

1766 -

We assume that many readers will recall reading the article under the above heading which appeared in the January to March 1969 issues of THE DIARY. This article deals with the Stoltzfus family in Europe and also of America. This extension to the article concerning the Stoltzfus family in the Mill Creek was proposed at an early date, but due to needed research and to add a suggested family chart (see page 90) more time was involved than was anticipated at first. However, we feel the materials are now ripe. In looking back over the former article we can well see that some subjects already need revising.

Before we come to the Stoltzfuses in the Mill Creek it may be well to review some things prior to that time, and especially to the positions in Berks County. We had never before looked into Berks Co. Pa. records which contain a bountiful source of legal information. From one of these records we get an almost unbelievable account, so striking that the writer could hardly accept it at first, but these records are legal and although all records are bound to be mistaken once in a while on minor documents, but one of this size does usually occur. The more we look into this angle the more we are convinced that it is the fact. From a January 31, 1770 document (deed book 2B p 357) we read the following: "This Identure made between Thomas Youngman a tanner of Reading, Pa. and Nicolas Stoltzfus and Christian Stoltzfus both of Leacock Township, Lancaster Co, Pa. a certain parcel or tract of land in Cumru Twp., Berks Co. part of land sold to John Gerber. This tract containing (originally) 500 acres.

Naturally we will turn back to the Lancaster County records for early land grant lists but here we find none, no legal records of any kind before 1770. So here we must rely on possibilities rather than facts. The picture shapes up much like this, that Nicholas was not a property holder at any time in Germany. From the beginning he was employed as a farm laborer, first around Kronweissenburg, Germany, and next on the Rinckweiller hof where he met his wife. After being married he had a few different positions as employment[1] and now that they lived in America we are led to believe that they lived in Lancaster Co. the first four years 1766-1770[2] and that Nicholas never was a sole property holder or at least not until Christian reached manhood, then Christian's name appears on the deeds of Nickolas every time and that is in Berks Co. In this manner they were entitled to two land grants one in 1770 and one in 1771. Both of these deeds begin with a boundry at a hickory along the Tulpehocken Creek which go in an eastward direction towards the Schuylkill River. The next Stoltzfus deed in Berks Co. is entitled to John Stoltzfus (book 15 page 465 Berks Co. 1797) beginning at the banks of the Schuylkill River.

Now that we have more Berks Co. records on hand, this may be the proper time to make a new study of the Nickolas Stoltzfus family. First let us review some abstracts from the Nickolas Stoltzfus family bible as listed in the Mast Family History and again in the Fisher Family book as follows. Dec. 23, 1736 Christiana Stoltzfus was born to this world. She died Aug. 24, 1745. Aug. 24, 1745 was born to this world a daughter named Catherine. Aug. 1747 was born to this world Elizabeth. Aug. 10, 1749 was born to this world a son named Christian. June 29, 1751 was born to me in this world a daughter named Barbara. June 28, 1753 was born to me a son named Nickolas. Oct. 10, 1757 was born to me a daughter named Magdalena. Nov. 10, 1774 my father Nicholas died and left a wife and four children surviving. June 11, 1781 my mother died.

The later part was written by Christian Stoltzfus while the former part seems to be an original copy from the family

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[1] Nikolas Stoltzfus, luth., trat zu den Mennoniten über, arbeitete als Knecht auf den mennonitischen Höfen in der Gegend von Kronweiszenburg (W. im Elsasz), später auf dem Ringweilerhof bei Hornbach Kreis Zweibrücken. 1750 arbeitete er als Friese in Dienste des Zimmermeisters Johann Adam Petry aus Brenschelbach am Zweibrücker Forellenweiher. Später war er Arbeitgeber des Georg Peter Bollinger. Am 14. 4. 1759 pachtete er die Goffingsmühle bei Hornbach Kreis Zweibrücken, geriet aber mit der Verpächterin, der Witwe von Andreas Auelenbach, in Streitigkeiten wegen des Wasserbaues. Nicklaus Stoltzfusz und Daniel Goffing haben am 19. 2. 1761 einen Streit wegen Pferdekaufs mit Daniel Muasz (? Mausz), junior, von Hornbach.

[2] Nickel Stoltzfus kam mit seiner Familie am 18. 10. 1766 auf dem Schiff "Polly," auf dem sich auch der Sohn Christian, da er über 16 Jahre alt ist, eingetragen hat, in Philadelphia an und diesz sich in der Nähe von Sinking Springs, Muhlenberg Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, USA, nieder.

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TWO LANCASTER COUNTY BOYS DIED

FIVE MILES APART WITHIN HOUR

The victims were:

Amos K. Fisher, 15, son of Levi E. Fisher of Kinzers R1, Pa.

Mervin K. Fisher, 13, a son of Phares S. Fisher of Kinzers R1, Pa.

Amos was killed instantly Friday, June 11, at 4 P.M. when he was struck by a station wagon on the Strasburg - Gap Road, while working for his uncle, Elmer E. Fisher, Paradise R1, about 1½ miles from his home. The mules ran away and he ran out onto the road to stop them. He was thrown fifty feet by the impact. (see obituary)

Mervin was killed instantly Friday, June 11, at 4:45 P.M. when he rode his bicycle out of a road onto Route 772 (Newport Pike) and was struck by a car near his home. The boy who wore a hearing aid went through a stop sign without stopping. The driver of the car, who was driving west on Newport Road could not stop in time. The boy and his bike were struck by the front of the car. Both were tossed onto the hood and against the windsheild. He died instantly from a broken neck and internal injuries. (see obituary)

PA. MAN HAD HEART ATTACK

Christian N. Stoltzfus, 54, of Ronks R1, Pa., died at 8 a.m. Wednesday, June 30, at his home unexpectedly of a heart attack. He had gone with his wife to the field to hoe tobacco. After working a few minutes he complained of not feeling well and could not walk to the house. His wife went for the team and took him to the house where he died in about one half hour. (see obituary)

MD. MAN HURT HAULING BALES

On Friday, June 25 STephen Stoltzfus of Mechanicsville, Md. was run over by a wagonload of hay when the horses became unruly while going down a hill. He was on top of the load and the bales fell forward throwing him down under the wagon. The front wheel passed over his left shoulder, scratched his face up and went over his wrist. His shoulder blade is crushed and his wrist broken. He was in the hospital three days and is getting along at home now. Neighbors are helping out with field work. He is about 25 and the son of Benjamin and Rebecca Stoltzfus

OHIO MAN IS SUICIDE VICTIM

Jonas M. Yoder, 43, of Millersburg R2, Ohio died Saturday, June 19 in Timken Mercy Hospital at Canton where he was admitted June 9. Stark Co. cornor ruled that death was due to a self-inflicted gunshot wound in the head suffered the day of admission to the hospital. (see obituary)

OHIO BOY KILLED, 4 INJURED IN CRASH

John D. Kauffman, 19, of Dundee R1, Ohio was killed and four other teenagers were injured in a crash Sunday, June 20 at 10:30 a.m. on Wayne Twp. Rd. 66 near the Holmes Co. line in Tuscarwas Co.

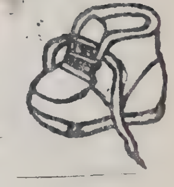
According to reports Kauffman was westbound on a blind curve and crashed head-on into an eastbound truck.

Hospitalized were Mervin Schlabach, 16, and Ervin N. Miller, 16, of Dundee R1. Schlabach received face and arm lacerations and Miller suffered a fractured right shoulder and severe factal cuts.

Treated and released were Eli Schrock, 17, and Joseph Miller, 16, of Sugarcreek R2. They received lacerations and abrasions to their faces and hands. (see obituary)

"Lasset die Kindlein zu mir kommen"..

Mark 10:14



BIRTHS

Lancaster Co., Pa.

BEILER, Christ K. (Naomi Zook) 181 Horshoe Rd. Leola, a son JONAS LEE, June 8
BEILER, Jonas F. (Elizabeth King) Kinzers R1, a son ALVIN JAY, June 23
ESCH, Abner (Lydia Beiler) Bird-in-Hand R1 a daughter RUTH, June 20
ESH, Benjamin P. (Lydia K. Lapp) 2471 Horseshoe Rd., Leola, a son CHRISTIAN U., June 16
FISHER, David S. (Rachel Stoltzfus) Paradise R1, a son LEROY S., June 1
FISHER, Gideon A. (Barbara S. Esch) Gordonville R1, a daughter ELIZABETH E., June 16
FISHER, William B. (Anna Lapp, Gordonville R1 a son ALLEN, June 5
GLICK, Joseph K. (Annie F. Kauffman) Christiana a daughter ANNA K., June 3
KING, Alvin S. (Naomi S. Esh) Leola R1, a daughter LINDA E., June 5
KING, Amos K. (Malinda E. King) Bird-in-Hand R1 a daughter SARAH K., June 25
KING, Benjamin R. (Lydia Beiler) Quarryville R3 a son SAMUEL B., June 30
KING, Daniel R. (Fannie Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1 a daughter KATIE ANN, June 25
MILLER, David (Naomi Glick) 238 Newport Rd. Leola a son ISAIAH G., June 14
STOLTZFUS, Benjamin S. (Naomi S. Stoltzfus) Leola R1, a son ENOS, June 3
STOLTZFUS, Daniel U. (Rebecca Glick) Honey Brook R1, a son ELMER, June 4
STOLTZFUS, Henry B. (Mary Swarey) Christiana R1, a son ISAAC, June 4
STOLTZFUS, Isaac E. (Barbara K. Fisher) Nottingham R2, a son HENRY, June 20
STOLTZFUS, Joshua L. (Mary Stoltzfoos) Kinzers a daughter REBECCA, May 21
STOLTZFUS, Levi R. (Lydia S. Stoltzfus) Gap R1, a son DAVID LEE, June 21
STOLTZFUS, Michael R. (Barbara King) Narvon R2 a daughter SUSAN JANE, June 30
STOLTZFUS, Stephen A. (Malinda King) Gap R1 a daughter SHARON FAYE, May 6
STOLTZFUS, Stephen M. (Rebecca Kauffman) Christiana R1, a daughter, June 5
ZOOK, Alvin (Sadie Stoltzfus) Honey Brook R2, a daughter REBECCA S., June 22
ZOOK, Daniel (Nancy Mae King) Narvon R1 a daughter BECKY SUE, June 11
ZOOK, Jonas (Katie Miller) Quarryville R3 a daughter SADIE M., June 20

Lebanon County, Pa.

FISHER, Gideon A. (Arie E. Peachey) Myerstown R2, a son LEON June 7

Juniata County, Pa.

SWAREY, Dea. Christ K. (Alta Byler) a son HENRY, June 5
WEAVER, Abe P. (Druscilla Hochstetler) a daughter ELIZABETH, June 21

Snyder County, Pa.

TROYER, Harry D. (Lydia Schwartz) a son ABRAHAM, June 29

Centre County, Pa.

KING, Abner (Ruth Fisher) Rebersburg a daughter LIZZIE, June 6
LANTZ, Leroy (Mamie Kauffman) Rebersburg a son, June 29

Mifflin County, Pa.

BYLER, Daniel (Mary Swarey) Belleville a daughter SADIE, June 12
PEACHEY, Josiah (Annie Peachey) Belleville a son JACOB, June 28

Somerset County, Pa.

YODER, Simon C. (Ruth Brenneman) Salisbury a daughter NAOMI, June 13

St. Mary's County, Maryland

STOLTZFUS, Sam J. (Lena Hertzler) Mechanicsville, a daughter SARAH, June 22

Holmes and Wayne Counties, Ohio

EICHER, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob, Dundee a daughter
GINGERICH, Wayne D., Star Rt. Millersburg a daughter
KEIM, Mr. and Mrs. Pre. Andy M. a daughter MARY, May 13
MAST, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob R., Millersburg a son

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Albert A., Applecreek
twin girls

MILLER, Andrew B., Baltic
a son

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Andy J. Millersburg R5
a son

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Andy R.,
a son ANDY JR.

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Atlee, Fresno R3
a daughter

Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel L.
a son DANIEL JR., June 4

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. David J., Berlin
a son

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. David M., Millersburg R4
a son

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Mose
a son June 10

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel, Millersburg R3
a daughter

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond, Millersburg
a daughter

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond H., Millersburg
a son

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Sam, Millersburg
a son

RABER, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy, Charm
a daughter

RABER, Mr. and Mrs. Mose J.E.
a daughter ELSIE MAE, in June

RABER, Mr. and Mrs. Owen W., Millersburg R4
a son JERRY ALLEN

SCHLABACH, Mr. and Mrs. William , Wilmot
a son

TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. David L.
a son ROBERT

TROYER, Gideon B.
a son

TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Henry M., Fresno
a daughter

TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe, Sugarcreek
a daughter

TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Noah L., Sugarcreek
a daughter

WEAVER, Mr. and Mrs. Eli M., Sugarcreek
a daughter June 11

WEAVER, Mr. and Mrs. Paul E., Star Rt., Millersburg
Millersburg, a son WAYNE, May 12

WEAVER, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne E. , Shreve R2
a son

Adams County, Indiana

COBLENTZ, Ben (Elizabeth Graber) Geneva R2
a daughter EMMA, May 22

EICHER, LeRoy (Fannie Yoder) Berne R2
a daughter, May 17

LAMBRIGHT, Alvin (Emma Wickey) Geneva R2
a son JERRY, June 3

NEUENSCHWANDER, Peter (Naomi Eicher)
Berne R2, a son JOE, May 11

SCHMIDT, Enos (Adeline Wickey) Monroe R1
a son EMANUEL, April 25

SCHMIDT, John (Susan Wickey) Monroe R1
a son JOHN, June 25

SCHWARTZ, Amos W. (Elizabeth Schwartz)
Monroe R1, a son JAMES, April 23

SCHWARTZ, Amos L. (Emma Schwartz)
Monroe R1, a daughter LYDIA, April 29

SCHWARTZ, Chriss (Bertha Schwartz) Geneva
R2, a daughter ROSIE, April 2

SCHWARTZ, Dan S. (Lizzie Schmucker) Geneva
R2, a daughter FANNIE, April 22

SCHWARTZ, Enos (Irene Schwartz) Monroe R1
a son AMOS, June 25

SCHWARTZ, Joe D.J. (Margaret Eicher) Berne R2
a daughter MIRIAM, June 1

Schwartz, Joe N. (Leah Graber)Geneva R2
twin daughters LEAH & LYDIA, April 23

SCHWARTZ, John (Esther Schwartz) Monroe R1
a son MARTIN, June 11

SCHWARTZ, John N. (Susie Troyer) Monroe R1
a son NOAH, May 28

SCHWARTZ, Noah M. (Josephine Eicher) Berne R2
a daughter ELIZABETH, April 7

TROYER, Neil (Elizabeth Yoder) Genava R2
a son TRUMAN, June 9

WICKEY, Amos (Emma Swartzentruber) Berne R1
a son JONI, May 5

WICKEY, Jake E. (Sylvia E. Schwartz) Berne R2
a daughter BARBARA, April 2

WICKEY, John S. (Elizabeth V. Schwartz) Geneva
R2, a daughter FANNIE, May 9

WICKEY, Menas (Susan Schwartz) Monroe R1
a son DAVID, April 10

WICKEY, Sam (Amanda Schwartz) Geneva R2
a son PAUL, June

YODER, Truman (Josephine Girod) Berne R2
a daughter SYLVIA, April 21

LaGrange County, Indiana

BEECHY, Elmer (Wilma Yoder) Topeka R2
a daughter WANETA, June 2

BONTRAGER, Glen D. (Wilma Hochstetler)
Shipshewana R1, a daughter LOU ANNE, June 13

BONTRAGER, Wilbur (Esther Lahman) LaGrange
R2 a daughter DARLENE KAY, May 28

FRY, Glen (Anna Yoder) Topeka R1
a daughter KATIE MAE, May 31

JONES, Larry (Mary Bontrager) Shipshewana R1
a daughter MARY KATHRYN, June 21

MAST, Levi Jay (Ruth Helmuth) LaGrange
a daughter MARGARET FERN, May 30

MILLER, Calvin A. (Marlyn Miller) LaGrange R2
a daughter LORI LYNN, June 2

MILLER, David E. (Saraetta Hochstedler)
twins, a son ERNEST & dauERMA JEAN

MILLER, Eli M. (LeAnne Lambright) Topeka R2
a daughter ERMA, June 16

MILLER, LaVern (PollyAnna Lehman)
Shipshewana R2, a daughter JOANNA L., June 21

MILLER, Marvin Ray (Katie Miller)
Shipshewana R1, a son DANIEL M., June 17

MULLET, Enos N. (LeAnna Schrock) Shipshewana
R2 a daughter NETTIE E., June 15

PETERSHEIM, Elva J. (Lydia Miller)
a daughter KATIE MAE, June 6

WINGARD, Elmer (Ella Frye) Topeka
a son RAY E., May 29

BIRTHS, continued

Daviess County, Indiana
GRABER, William (Lillie Stoll)
a daughter ALTA VIOLA, June 22
KEMP, Leroy (Mary Jane Wagler)
a daughter MARTHA, June 4
LENGACHER, Ora (Ida Graber)
a son WILLIS, June 2

Arthur, Illinois
HOSTETLER, Erven (Elizabeth Hostetler)
a daughter ROSANNE, June 23
MILLER, Andrew D. (Edna Mae Gingerich)
a son DAVID and a dauDOROTHY, June 3
MILLER, Elva (Edith Otto)
a daughter IDA MAY, May 30
MILLER, Harley W. (Martha Gingerich)
a son ROMAN ELI, June 6
PLANK, Ira (Verna Schrock)
a son LONNIE, June 2
PLANK, Ivan (Clara Kaufman)
a son, June 22
SCHROCK, Daniel D. (Deanna Herschberger)
a son ELVIN, June 15

Kalona, Iowa
MILLER, Alvin S. (Ella Beachy)
a son, June 11

Buchanan County, Iowa
bontrager, Eli (Vernie Gingerich) Fairbank

Buchanan County, Iowa
BONTRAGER, Eli (Vernie Gingerich) Fairbank
a son ABE, June 6
MILLER, William Jr. (Alberta Yutzy) Hazleton
a son NORMAN, June 9
YODER, Alvin J. (Sarah Bontrager) Hazleton
a son JOE, June 15

FIRES

Daviess County, Indiana

The duplex home of Joe Stolls and Mrs. Leah Knepp burned completely down on June 11. The fire was caused by a karosene stove used for cooking. Very little of the contents were saved. Their address is Montgomery R1, Indiana.

Buchanan County, Iowa

In the afternoon of June 5 Edd D. Gingerich's big house and washhause were burned to the ground with most of the contents. The two girls at home were baking and the oil stove exploded. Five fire trucks responded to the call. A shop building close by was badly damaged. Also a big corn crib and hog house nearby were ignated from sparks, but were saved with only a few roof damages. The parents were in town and didn't reach home till everything was burned down.

Aylmer, Ontario Canada

Eli C. Miller lost his sawmill and building when it caught fire on Thursday, June 24, and burned to the ground.

ORDINATIONS

Kalona, Iowa

Willis N. Hershberger, 29, was ordained a minister in Glen Bender's N.W. District on May 30th. His wife Rachel is a daughter of Abe and Alta Kauffman.

Elmer T. Miller, 28, son of Pre. Tobias J. Millers was ordained a minister in Glen Bender's Middle District on June 20. His wife Clara is a daughter of Pre. Sam D. and Katie Mast.

MARRIAGES

Somerset County, Pa.

Leroy, son of Eli G. and Sadie (Kinsinger) Breneman of Salisbury and Nancy, daughter of John C. and Lena (Swartzentruber) Yoder of Oakland, Md. were married in Oakland May 27 by Bishop Norman Schrock.

Joseph, son of John N. and Lizzie (Beiler) Kinsinger and Martha, daughter of the late Paul N. Beachy and Katie (Summy) Beachy both of Meyersdale were married June 10 by Bishop Albert E. Breneman.

Wayne County, Ohio

June 5 was the wedding of Eli Mast Jr. and Arie Mae Schlabach.

May 27 was the wedding of Levi, son of Atlee L. Yoder and Mattie, daughter of David Raber.

Adams County, Indiana

June 3, Jerome A., son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew A. Hilty, Monroe R1 and Bertha L., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Shetler, Monroe R1.

June 10, Paul H., son of Pre. and Mrs. Henry H. Schwartz, Geneva R2 and Amanda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Shetler, Monroe R1.

June 20, Jake B., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe A. Schwartz, Monroe R1 and Mattie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noah D. Wickey, Berne R1.

June 24, Sam, son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Wickey Berne R1 and Mary I. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan C. Schwartz, Geneva R2.

April 3, Lizzie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Schwartz, Geneva R1 and John L., son of Mr.. and Mrs. Jake R. Schwartz, Monroe R1.

LaGrange County, Indiana

May 28, Perry, son of Harvey & Elizabeth Miller Fry and Rosanna, daughter of Jonas C. and Rosa (Bontrager) Beachy.

June 3, LaVern, son of Raymond and Wilma (Miller) Yoder and Ruby, daughter of Levi and Edna Mae (Hochstedler) Hostetler.

June 11, Omar, son of Eli and Anna (Weirich) Chupp and Rosanna, daughter of Jonathan A. and Clara C. (Miller) Yoder.

June 17, Orva, son of Mahlon and Anna (Mast) Lehman and Katie Irene, daughter of Joe A. and Ida (Miller) Bontrager.

Daviess County, Indiana

Amos, son of Menno and Esther Graber and Esther Daughter of Mahlon and Rachel Wagler were united in marriage June 17, by Bishop Fred W. Knepp.

Widower Henry S. Wagler and Hannah, daughter of Elias Graber, Married June 20, by Fred W. Knepp

OBITUARIES

Beachy, Ananias J., 82, of Kalona, Iowa
died June 27 after several years of illness. Surviving are his wife, the former Ella Shetler, and 10 children, also a number of brothers and sisters. The funeral services were held June 30th in the large new shed at his son Jonas's, the home place.

Bontrager, Bishop Abe J., 61, of Buchanan Co.
died June 18, 1971. He was born Feb. 19, 1910 in Reno Co., Kansas and reached the age of 61 Yrs., 3 mo. and 29 days. He was married to Anna Plank December 13, 1934 in Reno Co., Kansas. He was ordained to the ministry May 2, 1937 and ordained bishop November 16, 1957. He lived in matrimony 37 yrs.- 5 mo., and 18 days. He died of a heart attack on the morning of June 18, while doing chores. He is survived by his wife Anna, 2 sons and one daughter: Eli married Vernie Gingerich of Hazleton Iowa; Susie married Alton D. Yoder, Kalona, Iowa; John married Freida Gingerich of Hazleton, Iowa; 12 grandchildren, 5 brothers, and 9 sisters. It was a large funeral and many friends and relatives came to view his last remains.

Fisher, Amos K., 15, Kinzers R1, Pa.
died June 11 in an accident (see front page). He was born October 29, 1955 a son of Levi E. and Mary K. Fisher. He is survived by his parents, 4 brothers, John 18, Levi Jr. 17, his twin brother Alvin 15, and Paul 3½, also 2 sisters, Lydia Ruth 12 and Barbara Jean 9. His paternal grandparents, John K. and Barbara Fisher, Kinzers R1, Pa. and maternal grandmother, Lydia K. King, Parkesburg survives.

Fisher, Mervin K., 13, Kinzers R1, Pa.
died June 11, in an accident (see front page). He was a son of Phares S. and Katie E. (King) Fisher. Surviving are his parents, a sister, Barbara, wife of David Glick, Kinzers R1: a brother, Samuel L. Fisher, Kinzers R1; a step-grandmother, Mrs. Fannie Fisher; a step-grandfathew, John R. Beilez; and a grandmother, Barbara Beiler.

Kauffman, John D., 19, Dundee R1, Ohio
was killed in a crash Sunday, June 20 (see front page). He was a son of Dan B. and Katie (Miller) Kauffman of RD 1, Dundee, Ohio, and was a former resident of Millersburg.

Surviving in addition to his parents are two sisters, Mrs. Levi E. (Clara) Miller of the home and Mrs. Roy E. (Mattie) Mast of RD 2, Dundee, two brothers, Henry D. of Dublin, Ohio, and Nelson D. of Star Rt., Millersburg, Ohio.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Mahlon Hochstetler; Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery in Wayne Township

Miller, Mrs. Lena (Ropp), 72, of Kalona Iowa
died June 8; her husband, Joas Miller died in 1966. Surviving are seven daughters, and three sons, all married except Fannie, with whom she lived in Kalona.

Funeral services were held at the Levi D. Yoder home by Levi and Wm. G. Miller (brothers) of Arthur, Ill. and at John D. Gingerichs by Morris and Adin Miller of the home church.

Miller, Mrs. Mary (Yoder), 82, of Kalona, Iowa
died June 12. Her companion, Joni E. Miller preceded her in death in August of 1954.

Surviving are two children, Mrs. Henry B. Miller (Edna) and Pre. Tobias J. Miller; also two brothers Pre. B. T. Yoder and Bishop Mose W. Yoder of Nappanee, Indiana and sixteen grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the home of her son with whom she resided, by Glen Bender and Enos Swartzentruber in the house, and in the barn by Jonas J. Beachy and Dan P. Bontrager of Shipshewanam Ind.

"Gran-Ma Miller spent much of her time in bed the last year, but was always well cared for."

Schwartz, Amos W., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph K.
of Geneva R2, Indiana was stillborn May 14 in the Clinic Hospital in Bluffton. Surviving are the parents, two brothers at home. Graveside services were held in the Bunker Hill Cemetery by David Wengerd.

Schwartz, Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Menno W.
of Monroe R1, Indiana was stillborn May 6 in the Clinic Hospital in Bluffton. Surviving are the parents, one brother and five sisters all at home. Graveside services were held in the Schwartz Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, Christian N., 54, of Ronks R1, Penna.
died June 30 of a heart attack (see front page) He was born in Leacock Twp. a son of Amos U. and Fannie (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Ronks R1.

Survivors in addition to his parents include his wife, Mary (Blank) Stoltzfus; four daughters, Hanna, wife of Amos B. Stoltzfus Jr., Leola; Fannie, wife of Daniel R. King, Gordonville R1; Anna Mary, wife of Levi K. Stoltzfus, Gap R1 and Sara B., at home; two sons, Elam B. and Elmer B. (twins), at home; and 15 grandchildren; also four brothers, Gideon Stoltzfus, Sarasota, Fla.; Amos U. Stoltzfus Jr., Parkesburg R1; Elam and jonathan, Ronks R1; and three sisters, Mrs. Mary Riehl, Gap R1; Miss Sara Stoltzfus, at home, and Miss Hanna Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1.

Funeral services were held by Monroe Chupp, of Nappanee, Ind., and John Troyer, of LaGrange, Ind.; Pete Miller, of LaGrange, Ind. read the hymn "Alle Menchen missen sterben." Burial in Gordonville.

Troyer, Mrs. Alvin R., 63, of Sugarcreek R1, Ohio
died Saturday morning, June 12 in her home. She had been ill a year. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of the late Ben J. and Elizabeth (Troyez) Yoder.

Surviving in addition to her husband are two daus. and two sons, Mrs. Noah J. (Edna) Troyer, Mrs. Andy L. (Betty)Yoder, Henry A. and Junior Troyer, all of RD 1 Sugarcreek; a sister, Mrs. Ervin J. (Mary Ann) Mullet of RD 1 Sugarcreek; a brother, Albert B. Yoder of RD 2, Fredericksburg, and Henry B. of R1, Dalton, and 13 grandchildren. A son, two sisters and four brothers are deceased.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Andy N. Troyer. Burial was in the Troyer Cemetery.

Fannie B. Stoltzfus, widow of John E. Stoltzfus
Died and leaves 209 survivors

Mrs. Fannie B. Stoltzfus, 84, of Leola R1, Pa. died Monday, June 7 at 4:20 p.m. at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Christ Speicher, Leola R1. Death was caused by old age and a lengthy illness. She was helpless for 18 months and nearly blind. Her daughters took their daily turns to give her a meal for 5½ years.

She is survived by the following sons and daughters Rebecca, wife of Jacob E. King, Gordonville RD #1; Barbara, wife of Isaac L. Stoltzfus, Gap R1; Mary, wife of Christ Speicher, with whom she resided; Amos M. Stoltzfus, New Holland R1, Bishop John L. Stoltzfus, Pre. Stephen L. Stoltzfus and Levi L. Stoltzfus all of Leola R1; 55 Grandchildren, 146 great-grandchildren, and one great- great- grandchild. She was the last of of her immediate family.

Funeral services were held June 8 at the John L. Stoltzfus residence. Burial was at Myers Cemetery. Opening of the funeral at the house by Amos F. Stoltzfus Hymn page 464 by Stephen U. Zook; at the shed opening by David Z. Lapp, of Lebanon Co., main sermon, text Rom 12 by Elam B. Stoltzfoos. Hymn page 437 was one of her favorites songs, read by Amos K. Lapp. "Welt hinweg ich bin dein miede" was read at the graveyard by John Z. Fisher; absheid by John K.Lapp. Pallbearers were John D. Stoltzfus, John S. Stoltzfus, John K. Stoltzfus, and Aaron E. Stoltzfus.

Fannie was buried two weeks and two days after her brother Moses B. Lapp. They were the two last grandchildren of Lydia Shanebeck who came across the ocean in her childhood days and her father was buried at sea. She was married to Christian Lapp. Fannie lived to see the fifth generation which is a little unusual. Now if we look five generations the other way this is what it looks like:

Yoder, Mose J.S., 80, of Millersburg R4, Ohio

died Friday June 18 in the home of a son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Andy C. (Emma) Yoder of Millersburg R1, with whom he resided three weeks. He had been ill five months.

Born in Holmes County, he was a son of the late Jacob S. and Magdeline (Troyer) Yoder. His wife, the former Katie Troyer, died in 1956. Surviving are three other daughters, Mrs. Sam C. (Lizzie) Yoder of R1, Millersburg, Mrs. Levi J.C. (Mattie) Wengerd of Middlefield and Mrs. Mose M. (Mary) Yoder of R1, Fresno; three sons, Phineas M. of the home, Abe M. of RD 2, Millersburg, and Joe M. of Sugarcreek; 43 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Also preceding him in death were two sisters and six brothers.

Funeral services were held in the Yoder home by Bishop Dan G. Yoder. Burial was in Yoder Cemetery.

Yoder, Stillborn daughter of Samuel (Susie Renno)

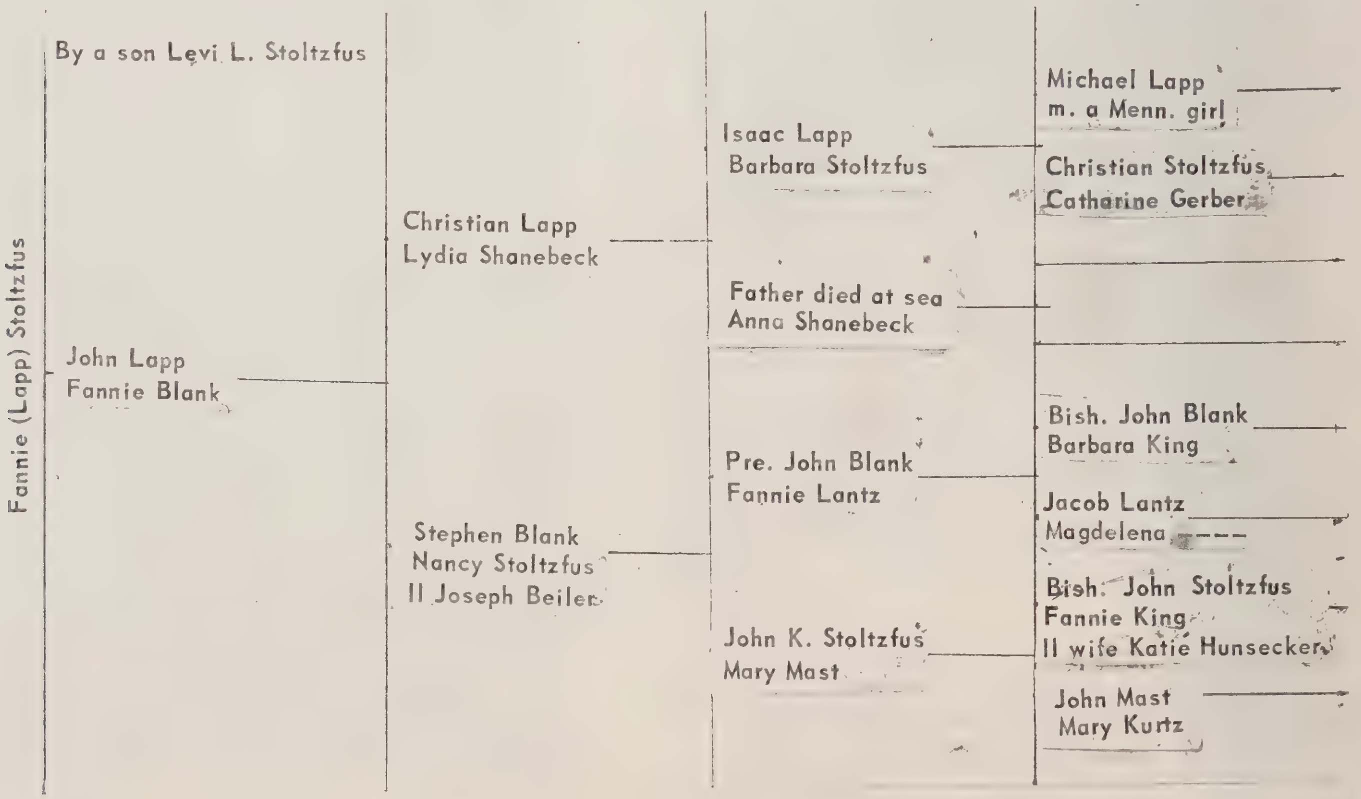
of Belleville, Pa. was born June 3. Surviving are the parents, three brothers, one sister. One brother preceded her in death. Grandparents are Isaac P. Yoder and Joshua Renno.

Zook, Raymond B., 11, Buena Vista, Gap R1, Pa.

died Saturday morning, June 12 at his home after a prolonged illness. He was born in Lancaster County, a son of Levi K. and Mary (Beiler)Zook.

Surviving are his parents, these brothers and sisters, Miriam, Andrew, Levi Jr., Ruth, Paul, Omar, David, Nancy, and Daniel; and paternal grandparents, Isaac B. and Mary Zook, Christiana R1, Pa.

Burial was in the Buena Vista Cemetery


Fannie (Lapp) Stoltzfus
By a son Levi L. Stoltzfus
John Lapp
Fannie Blank
Christian Lapp
Lydia Shanebeck
Stephen Blank
Nancy Stoltzfus
II Joseph Beiler
Isaac Lapp
Barbara Stoltzfus
Father died at sea
Anna Shanebeck
Pre. John Blank
Fannie Lantz
John K. Stoltzfus
Mary Mast
Michael Lapp
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Christian Stoltzfus
Catharine Gerber
Bish. John Blank
Barbara King
Jacob Lantz
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Bish. John Stoltzfus
Fannie King
II wife Katie Hunsecker
John Mast
Mary Kurtz

Wagler, John Henry, 13, of Loogootee R2, Indiana died at 6 p.m. Tuesday at his home. He was a son of Alva E. and Fannie Mae (Yoder). Wagler. The Daviess County Coroner said that death was instantaneous from a skull fracture suffered when the boy was either thrown from a horse or kicked by a horse.

Besides the parents he is survived by 3 brothers, Ernest, Daniel and Stephen Jay, and 6 sisters, Joan, Catherine, Martha Sue, Lovina Rose, Mary Ruth and Miriam Wagler, all at home, and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Yoder. Burial was in Wagler Cemetery.

Yoder, Jonas M., 43, of Millersburg R2, Ohio died Saturday, June 19 (see front page). Born in Holmes County, he was a son of the late Moses C. and Katie (Miller) Yoder and was a bishop in the Clark Dis.

Surviving are his widow, Mattie A. (Schlabach) Yoder; three daughters and four sons, Katie, Nancy, Ida, Abe, Christ, Jacob and David of the home; four sisters, Mrs. Raymond L. (Lizzie) Yoder of R1, Sugarcreek, Mrs. V.A. (Sarah)Hershberger of R3, Millersburg, Mrs. Dan J.D. (Mary) Miller and Mrs. Noah N. (Susan) Yoder of R1 Baltic; five brothers, M.M. Yoder of R2 and Amos M. and David M. of R3, Millersburg, Mose M. of R3 Fresno, and Eli M. of R1, Baltic; his stepmother, Mrs. Fannie Yoder of R4, Millersburg; five stepsisters, Mrs. Atlee E. Mullet of Star Rt. Millersburg, Mrs. Steve A. Keim of R2, Dundee, Mrs. Monroe I. Mast of Star Rt., Wilmot, Mrs. David D. Miller of R4 Millersburg, and Sarah Weaver of Canada, and a stepbrother, Jacob M. Weaver of Beach City. A brother is deceased.

Funeral services were held in the home by Bishop Joe Hershberger. Burial was in the Raber Cemetery.

MAN BREAKS LEG, NEIGHBOR'S BARN BURNS -

Levi J. Hostetler, LaGrange R1, Indiana fell when his step ladder tipped, when attempting to climb on the roof, and broke his leg. He was taken to LaGrange Hospital then transferred to Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

In the afternoon of the same day lightning struck a barn on the Aaron L. Beechy farm, about a mile from the Hostetlers, and burned it to the ground.

TORNADO IN LANC. CO., PA.

On Sunday eve., June 6 a tornado hit the Green Tree area. The farm of Enos King Jr., Quarryville R3, Pa. had severe damage. It tore the weather boarding and roofing to small pieces. Some pieces of tin were found lodged in treed quite a distance away. Soon after midnight some neighbors gathered to clean away the debris so they could get the cows in to milk.

The owner of this farm, Enos King Jr. was hospitalized Tuesday before this happened, with a broken pelvis the result of a fall from the barn roof. Two weeks later they had a new barn pretty well closed in but not all finished.

COMMUNITY NOTE

Visiting ministers with us in June were Minister Emanuel B. and wife Leah Zook, Minister Henry U. and wife Mattie Fisher from Lancaster County, Pa. Minister Alvin D. and wife Salome Mast from Jamesport, Missouri.

Visiting brethren were Mr. and Mrs. Chris Miller from Paradise, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. Sam R. Stoltzfus from Mechanicsville, Maryland

MIGRATION

Eli C. Millers moved from Aylmer, Ontario, Canada to Milroy, Indiana in June.

School meet

Report of 1971 Annual Pa. School Directors Meeting

This meeting, which is held annually on the first Friday in June, was held on June 4, 1971 at the home of Isaac, New Holland R1, Pennsylvania.

About 450 people were present representing schools from Delaware, Maryland, all different localities in Penna. ad committee members from Indiana. Many of the Old Order Mennonites from the local area were present and also a group representing the Kutztown area.

The meeting was opened by silent prayer and a short speech by Bishop Daniel E. Stoltzfus. The minutes of the 1970 meeting were read and the meeting proceeded with an explanation by the chairman of the purpose and the functions of the Old Order Book Society, stressing the need for unity as a great source of strength in negotiations with the State when any problems arise concerning the way the Parochial Schools are operated. It was noted that at the present time the schools seem to meet the standards required by the State and that our schools are well accepted and respected by State when run according to the guidelines set up by the Book Society. Some of the guidelines were discussed and explained. One point brought out in particular - songs to be used in schools. Bishop John F. Glick very ably expressed the feeling of the group as a whole and explained that care should be used in selection of songs since many newer publications contain material not fitting to the beliefs of the Old Order Amish or Mennonites.

The meeting was then open to questions and many points were further discussed. All parents present were asked to express themselves briefly and a complete unity seemed to prevail on the subjects discussed

The term of the Secretary, Benuel K. Stoltzfoos was expired, so a vote was taken for another six year term and Benuel was re-elected. The next meeting was set to be held at the home of Christian G. Esh, Gordonville R1, Lancaster County, Pa.

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Lancaster Co., Pa. by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for the Bareville area was 1.6 inches. Live Stock Report: Fat Cattle, $28.00 to 32.00 Cwt.; Feeder Steers, 28.00 to 37.00 Cwt.; Fat Hogs, 40 lb., 15.00; 1 load of Susquehanna Co. Dairy Cows sold at New Holland from 500.00 to 950.00; Veal Calves, 51.00; Hay from 30.00 to 32.50 per Ton; Straw, 36.00 to 43.00 per Ton; Ear Corn, 45.00 Ton or $1.75 bu.; Wheat, 1.65 bu.; Barley, 1.19 bu.; Oats, .90 bu.; Large Eggs, .36 doz.; Potatoes, 4.00 Cwt.

by Elam S. Beiler

Still some mixed hay being made the last week. Straight sown alfalfa is blooming and some is cut Second cutting alfalfa is just starting to bloom especially fields which were cut early the first time. The wet and cool May made a lot of hay again this year Some 2nd crop alfalfa is cut. Early corn is 63 inches tall now and is looking good this year but have heard a few reports of Southern Blight on some varieties. Slight yellowing at the tip of the leaves. Sweet corn is in tassels now. Peas and strawberries were plentiful with the peak about the 21st. Wheat is turning fast but none cut yet. Some barley is cut now but not thrashed yet. Grains will be 10 days to 2 weeks later this year. Ninety five percent of the tobacco is planted now and started well, as ground was in good shape. It is also off to a late start due to the cool weather in May.

by Ammon F. Fisher

June had a lot of very warm days, a few days of thunder without rain, total of 1.7 in. rainfall. June 14th at noon we had .9 of an in., very spotty over the country, some places 1.5 in. and others only a few sprinkles. The last seven days of June were very warm, some mornings 75 degrees, at noon 98 ° the shade, no rain since June 15th. Just enough moisture in ground to make crops really grow.

Juniata Co. Pa. by David Y. Renno

Rainfall during June was spotty but about an average of 2 inches for the month. Temperature was about normal, but many cloudy days with thunder but very little rain.

Hay was made mostly without rain and was a heavy crop, had timothy, fine but tall. Wheat is ready to cut till July 4th and is shorter than usual.

Strawberries were very plentiful and sold for 50¢ per qt. box. Raspberries are now ripening and are plentiful, will be about 65¢ per qt. box. Cherries are a good crop and ripening now, will sell for around 25¢ per lb.

The Amish girls are kept busy thinning peaches, picking cherries and raspberries for local fruit farmers.

In this area the best quality fruit is grown on the high, stony ground of the ridges.

Snyder Co., Pa. by Sam M. Troyer

The crops are pretty good so far, hay is nice, small frain looks nice and corn is growing fast. The first part of June was still a little cool, then on the 13th, 14th, and 15th it rained a little ovea 2 inches, on the 24th it rained nearly ½ inch. Both north and south of us they had more rain than we did. The last week it got very warm, real corn growing weather. It rained a little the evening of the 30th. The weather may not always please us, but we get what we are supposed to have, what's best for us in the Father's eyes.

Centre Co., Pa. by Henry F. Beiler

We had two inches rain in June. Had good hay weather most of the month, mostly good quality hay was put away. Pasture is getting short due to lack of rain. Oats is out in heads, most of it a little short. Row crops seem to be growing nicely. Peas and strawberries were plentiful.

Mifflin Co., Pa. by Catherine Swarey

June was a pleasant month, nice sunny days, also showers, 3.2 inches of rain. Cherries aren't quite as plentiful this year. Strawberries and peas are nearly past and were a good crop.

Lots of hay has been put away, still a few not finished. Barley is cut, wheat is nearly ready to cut. The last three days we had much thunder and some rain.

Somerset Co., Pa. by Mary A. Kinsinger

We've had lots of damp and cloudy weather in June, but also a good supply of moisture, with about five inches of rain. The last week or ten days has been excellent haying weather and many farmers took advantage of it. Even so, many are not done because of a late start.

Gardens look nice with strawberries plentiful and peas are just beginning to be on the menus.

St. Mary's Co., Md. by Amos R. Stoltzfus

June started in very wet and also very warm and humid. On the 7th we had a very stormy thunderstorm which blew down trees and had some hail, and 1¼ in. of rain. It rained ½ in. the 12th in a thunderstorm, another one the 14th. Then hardly any more rain but very warm and sultry days the rest of June. Corn fields are pretty grassy in low places. Some are about taken over by grass on account of the wet May. It is dry now. We need rain.

Holmes County, Ohio by David E. Miller

We are having hot and sultry weather and are in need of rain. Our corn looks good, wheat and oats look good too. Strawberries are plentiful but need rain. Temperature was from 85 to 90 for over a week. Farmers mowed whole fields of hay and kept at it all week. Lots of the neighbors finished this week Second cutting alfalfa looks good. Last night they had a hard rain about 20 miles south of us.

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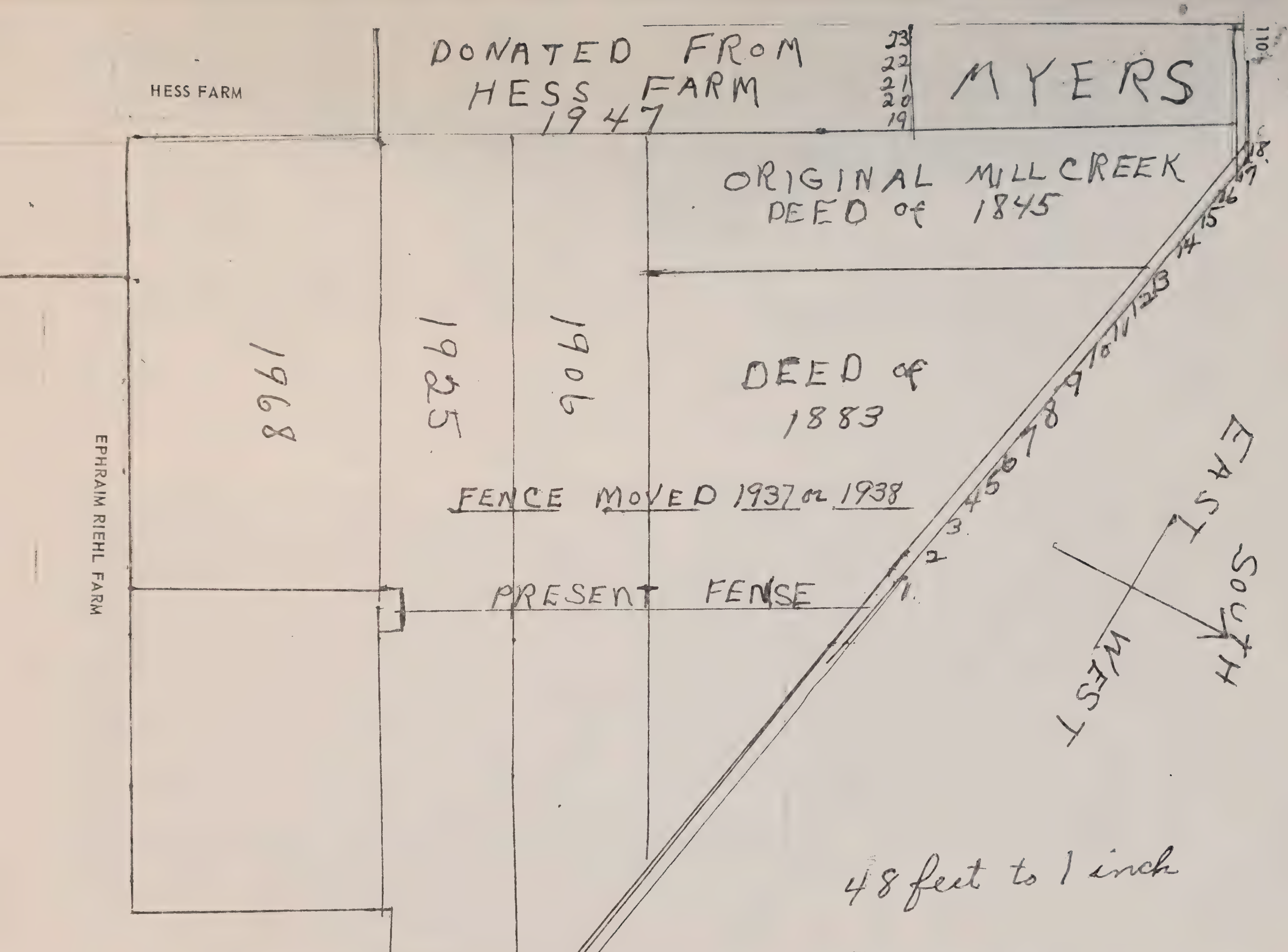
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FIRST DEED OF MILLCREEK GRAVEYARD

A HISTORY OF MUSSERS AND MYERS SCHOOL

From 1863 - 1971

Many of our people have an interest in the days of our forefathers and the history of the school they attended, when the school was organized and how long the term. Many of the schools in Lancaster County were private schools from 1800 to 1850.

The first school known in this vicinity was a little one room private school house sitting on the intersection of East Eby Road and the Bulltown Road now called the South Groffdale Road. It is not known when this school was built but it was in use until 1856. The writer's grandfather was a scholar in this school.

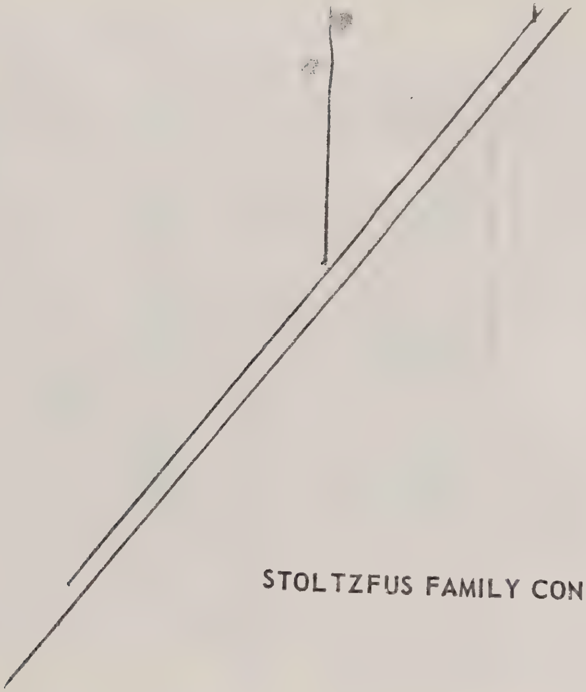
In 1856 a lot or piece of land was sold by the writer's grandfather Samuel K. Stoltzfoos to the directors of common schools of Upper Leacock Twp. in the County of Lancaster containing 49 perches or ¼ acre of land on what is now East Eby Road, near the intersection of South Groffdale Road. This lot was surveyed by Wm. Weidman on August 12, 1856 and a school house was built. According to records it was in use only seven years. When the land and the building was bought back from the directors by Samuel K. Stoltzfus the school house was occupied by a widow and her two daughters, whose husband was killed in the Civil War. The old building was removed in about 1884.

This account is concerning two schools in Upper Leacock Twp. In 1863 a school was built on the John Musser Jr. farm 3/4 mile east of the abundant school house now occupied by the Daniel Blank and Elias Beiler Families and also the same year the directors got a piece of land about one mile west of the old site from Christian Stoltzfoos and it was named Myer's School, as it was located directly across from the Joseph Myer farm, one of the oldest family settlers in this township. In February of 1904 Musser School was destroyed by fire. It was a cold day and the cause a defective stove pipe. The writer was one of the pupils. Nothing was saved except the teacher's desk and the school books. A new school was built that summer about 150 feet north of the old school. The first teacher was Elsie M. Summerll, now Walton. She taught 3 years and is still living at the age of 87 years at Friends Home Quaker, Kennet Square, Pa. She was one of the best teachers to be found anywhere who taught us to follow the Golden Rule and to be respectful to all. Penmanship was taught then which is being neglected in the Public Schools today. In all, Mussers School had 48 teachers in 108 years and Myers School probably had just as many teachers. School term was seven months and most pupils attended until they were sixteen, but only through the winter months at that age. We have many pleasant memories of our school days, one of the best is the annual visit of our old neighbor Samuel V. Givler who resided here 50 Years. He was a former teacher of Myers School and a Justice of the Peace in our township. Our teacher always asked him to make a speech, and could say it in a way you would not forget. In closing he recited the following poem found in McGuffys Fifth Reader, which means more to me now than it did at that time.

1. I've wandered over the village, Tom,
   I've sat beneath the tree,
   Upon the schoolhouse playing ground,
   That sheltered you and me;
   But none were left to greet me Tom,
   And few were left to know,
   Who played with me upon the green,
   Just forty years ago.
2. The grass was just as green, Tom,
   Barefoot boys at play
   Were sporting just as we did then,
   With spirits,just as gay
   But the Master sleeps upon the hill
   Which coated o'er with snow,
   Afforded us a sliding place,
   Some forty years ago.
3. The old school house is altered some;
   The benches are replaced
   By new ones very like the same
   Our jack knives had defaced,
   But the same old bricks are in the wall,
   The bell swings to and fro,
   Its music just the same, dear Tom,
   T'was forty years ago.
4. The spring that bubbled neath the hill,
   Close by the spreading beech,
   Is very low, 'twas once so high
   That we could almost reach,
   And kneeling down to take a drink,
   Dear Tom, I startled so,
   To think how very much I've changed
   Since forty years ago.
5. Nearby that spring, upon an elm,
   You know, I cut your name,
   Your sweethearts just beneath it Tom
   And you did mine the same
   Some heartless wretch, has peeled the bark,
   'Twas dying sure but slow
   Just as that one whose name you cut
   Died forty years ago.
6. My lids have long been dry, Tom,
   But tears came in my eyes,
   I thought of her, I lived so well,
   Those early broken ties.
   I visited the old church yard,
   And took some flowers to strew,
   Upon the graves of those we loved,
   Just forty years ago.
7. Some are in the church yard laid,
   Some sleep beneath the sea;
   But none are left of our old class,
   Excepting you and me,
   And when our time ahall come, Tom
   And we are called to go,
   I hope we'll meet with those we loved
   Some forty years ago.

These schools were sold on June 19, 1971 and will be used as Parochial Schools for the Amish and Mennonites. Musser School was purchased for $12,000. Myers School was purchased for $12,500.

Submitted by Elam B. Stoltzfoos



MYERS CEMETERY

to Christian Stoltzfus Sr and Nancy his wife 87 acres 16 perches dated April 5 1803

Forty perches were sold to John Stoltzfus Sr Trustee. John Stoltzfus Sr Abraham Stoltzfus David Stoltzfus Sr Andrew Miller Jacob Schmucker Christian Augburger of Upper Leacock Twp and Jacob Steinman Christian Neuhauser and Mary Stoltzfus widow of Jacob Stoltzfus of Leacock Twp Deed dated Oct 8 1845

To be used as burial grounds and no other purposes by the heirs of the above named

Granted free and uninterruped liberty and privilege to the above named and heirs at all times hereafter whenever occasions may require to enter unto upon and through the adjacent lands of Christian Stoltzfus with free ingress for or with workman horses wagons carts etc. for the purpose of amending and repairing the fences or making new fences or building a stone wall around burial grounds or funerals going thereto doing nevertheless as little injury or damage to Christian Stoltzfus or owner of said adjacent lants Granting Christian Stoltzfus Sr and heirs same right to burial ground as above mentioned Received on the day of the date of this deed the sum of twenty two dollars and twenty two and one fourth cents in full consideration above mentioned

STOLTZFUS FAMILY CONNECTED TO MILLCREEK

1 Generation Nicklaus Stoltzfus
Lived, died and buried in Berks Co.
2 Generation Only two that there are records of
Barbara married John Schmucker ---------------16-1
3 Generation
Daniel Schmucker married Barbara Lapp -----16-2
Jacob Schmucker married Mary Fisher --------14-13
2 Generation
Christian Stoltzfus married Catharine Gerber
Catharine died before coming to Millcreek
Christian married second wife Elizabeth King

Catharine died before coming to Millcreek
Christian married second wife
Elizabeth King Lantz -------------------------18-2
3 Generation
Jacob Stoltzfus married Maria Blank ----------18-1
Christian Stoltzfus married Anna Blank ------17-4
John Stoltzfus married Veronica King
John's second wife Catharine Unsecker----15-5
David Stoltzfus married Anna Fisher ----------18-3A

Note

Second and third generation are two Kings intermarried daughters of Samuel King

Third generation are three Fishers daughters of Christian and Susanna Fisher

Third generation are two Blanks daughters of Bishop John Blank

3 Generation
Elizabeth married Andrew Miller ---------------14-7
Catharine Stoltzfus married Jacob Steinman -14-6
4 Generation Children of Jacob & Maria Stoltzfus
Tenn John buried a daughter --------------------17-1
Barbara Stoltzfus married Michael Lapp -----17-3
Children of Christian and Anna Stoltzfus
Elizabeth (Stoltzfus) King married Heinrich Lantz ----17-5
Christian Stoltzfus married Katharine Kurtz--17-6
Children of John and Veronica Stoltzfus
Samuel Stoltzfus married Fanny Beiler -------15-1
John Stoltzfus married Mary Mast -------------15-4
Children of David and Anna Stoltzfus
Barbara Stoltzfus married S Levi Zug ---------18-4
Elizabeth Stoltzfus married Christian Ebersol 18-5
Susie Stoltzfus married Abram King -----------18-6
Jonathan F. Stoltzfus married Elizabeth Kauffman ------18-7
Children of Abraham and Susie Stoltzfus
David Stoltzfus married Sarah Smucker -------16-4
Johannas F. Stoltzfus married Mary Mast ----16-5
Elizabeth Stoltzfus not married -----------------16-6
Abraham Stoltzfus married Katharine Bollinger16-7
Eli Stoltzfus married Elizabeth Kurtz ---------16-8
Annie Stoltzfus married John Neuhauser -----16-10
Susan Stoltzfus married David Beiler -----;--- 16-11
Jacob F. Stoltzfus married Hannah Mast -----16-12

THE MILLCREEK GRAVEYARD

Notes Taken from Trustee Records

First collection - 1884, 1.50; Next - 1909, 1.00
1947 - 1.00 and 2.00; 1960 - 2.00 and 5.00
1968 - 5.00 and 10.00

David S. King married 1884, son of No. 135
Uncertain when he first was caretaker
Dick John Stoltzfus No. 136

In 1925 to buy land there were 4 caretakers:
David S. King, Abraham Stoltzfus,
Daniel E. Stoltzfus, Moses B. Glick

References are Fisher, Lapp, Hertzler & Mast books
Names are from record of 1874, followed by life span, lot No. in Myers, last number is in family chart of May, 1971 THE DIARY

F3421	John F. Stoltzfus	1832-1886	16-5	75
F3445	Abraham Stoltzfus	1834-1903	16-7	76
F3640	Christian Stoltzfus	1821-1894	17-6	37
F3098	Jonathan F. Stoltzfus	1828-1908	18-7	85
F3613	John K. Stoltzfus	1805-1884	15-4	13
Lp 27½	John M. Stoltzfus	1841-1919	15-3	136
F1637	Joseph Beiler	1829-1912	15-14	
F2857	John Ebersol	1844-1881	18-12	803
F 785	John Lapp	1849.1926	12-12	623
Lp 27	Christian Lapp	1817-1898	17-7	62
	Jacob Steinman	1877	14-6	3A
F3959	David King	1845-1929	13-10	830
F2870	Levi Zook	1812-1882	18-4	81
F2820	Christian Ebercol	1814-1890	18-5	80
F3618	Samuel Stoltzfus	1809-1881	15-1	14
F 580	Henry Lantz	1881	17-5	31
F2080	Benjamin Lantz	1838-1912	17-10	315
F3058	Abraham King	1885	18-6	83
F2715	Jacob Beiler	1830-1908	18-11	
H4715J	John Smucker's wife Barbara John Smucker buried at Groffdale	1859-1883	16-19	
F3604	Samuel Petersheim	1828-1915	17-13	203
H2093	Jacob Beiler	1909-1885	13-1	
F3331	David Beiler	1822-1897	16! 11	
F2872	Henry Stoltzfus	1839-1914	15/7	133
F3614	Christian Milllr	1826-1901	15-13	130
133	Christian Neuhauser	1796-1882	14-8	224
F3602	John Petersheim	1823-1893	14-4	12
F 507	Benjamin King	1839-1912	17-17	306
F 78	Simeon Zook	1859! 1931	17-19	
M 543	Christian Augburger	1814-1885	14-12	
F3418	John Neuhauser	1824-1897	16-10	
F3614	David Beiler	1848-1889	13-2	
F3619	Solomon Stoltzfus	1832-1916	15-9	141
Lp 13	Barbara Lapp Widow of Michael Lapp	1801-1890	17-3	20
F3447	Jacob F. Stoltzfus	1839-1905	16-12	77
F2821	David Ebersol	1839-1887	18-10	801
F3133	David Stoltzfus	1818-1892	16-4	70
Omitted in	Elizabeth Stoltzfus	1817-1894	16-6	
Fisher book	Barbara Miller	1817-1878	15-11	

The period of two decades from 1860 thru 1870 appears to have been a time of migration which shows up in burial plots.

I John Stoltzfus (Tenn. John) started a lot before moving to Millwood and later going to Tennessee with most of his family in the 1860's 17-1

II John Mast family moving to Long Green Md. with two bieng married to Christian Neuhauser's children. Barbara Neuhauser married Samuel Mast is buried at Millcreek and her husband at Long Green. Jacob Neuhauser 19 IS buried beside Barbara Mast and is a son of Christian Neuhauser Jr. and a nephew of Barbara. 14-18 14-19

III In 1850 Daniel and Barbara Schmucker lived in Union Co. and came to Lancaster Co. to visit then Barbara died and was buried in Millcreek. The following year Daniel and the rest of the family moved to Lancaster County 16-2

IV Elizabeth Beiler widoe of John Beiler, Union Co. daughter of John and Mary (Reichencach)Lapp. Mother of Joshua, Michael and David Beiler and sister of Barbara Schmucker of No. III buried at Millcreek in 1878. None of her family is buried with her 14-5

V David and Magdalena (Lantz) Glick came to Lancaster from Union C. Magdalena being a step-sister of the Stoltzfus of the third generation 14-15

VI Jon. Riehl 25 (died 1875) abd Mattie Riehl 33 (died 1885) are buried in 14-17. The parents John and Esther (Esh) Riehl are buried in Union Co.

VII Esther Riehl wife of David Ebersol sister of Jon. and Mattie Riehl, born 1846 and died 1920. 18-10

VIII Nancy (King) Stoltzfus widow of Jacob Stoltzfus Union Co. is buried in lot No. 13-14 Nancy a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Stoltzfus) King and mother of Susan, wife of Gideon Diener, Isaac called Buffalo Ike, Printer Jake, Simon Menno and Mary.

Names found beside Amish names

Rronica Egli 14-21, 77 yrs. died 1880

Samuel Rupp 14-19, died 1867, came from Germany, lived with John F. Stoltzus of Mascot. His bible in possession of Mattie Stoltzfus now deceased

Annie Wolf 7-11 daughter of Samuel P. and Katie Stoltzfus (commonly known as Annie P.)

Maude Martha Hathway 14-25 Fisher Book 790

George Wasmer died 1970 at Christ Esh

THE STOLTZFUS FAMILY BURIALS

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2. Some six years ago a statement was released from a Lancaster County commission that the most popular name in Lancaster County is Stoltzfus, not including the city.

Since we do not know from what source of information these two reports were based on we cannot prove the exact extent of accuracy. We will believe they contain a lot of truth that is very super ordinary and worthwhile to think about. Something that did not just happen by accident, it was prescribed and lived by someone. To me it is a picture of how nearly our fathers of this country walked in the path of the patriarchs of old.

Before we go further we want to make it clear that we are aware of it that this early Stoltzfus family was not without shortcomings, that we do not intend to praise them above other pioneer families in other states and counties of America, we only wish to set out the example of what can be accomplished, and that this family has possessed a very unusual conspiracy to go down in history.

To analyze the two above points carefully would give a result that the two spell about the same thing or that it can now be condensed to one point. That the early Stoltzfus family, especially the Christian Stoltzfus family taught and practiced unity, brotherly love and contentment, with a deep desire to live together, work together, stay together and even to die together, which shows up well on these graveyard studies. This love and contentment was attached directly to the soils of the earth and to the farm. Until about twenty years ago a very high percentage of the Stoltzfus kin were farmers. One of our ministers, Dan M. Stoltzfus, commonly called Old Dan, once said that he remembered well when all the Stoltzfus people belonged to the Amish Church and I think this held out to the late 1870s. To reckon that Christian Stoltzfus married in 1774 is to say that the family remained in unity, one family and one faith for over a hundred years.

The question frequently arises, why are there more Stoltzfuses here than other names? The Beilers, the Kings, and the Fishers were in America nearly a half century before the Stoltzfuses. Lets make a few comparisons. Christian Beiler was a brother-in-law to Christian Stoltzfus. He also had a family of five boys and some girls. Although Christian Beiler died at middle age his family was reared well, they adhered to the church of their father, but only one son stayed in the Pequea. Most of the others crossed the Susquehanna, early and later their offspring adventured across the Alleghenies. There are more Beilers in America than Stoltzfuses but they are scattered. The Samuel Koenig family is another comparison. This family had seven boys of which Christian was a minister, probably ordained in Berks County. For awhile he lived in Lancaster Co., later in Mifflin Co. and died in Wayne Co., Ohio. So that is one way to produce an answer to the above question. Another thing we note in the Stoltzfus family, whenever an outsider married into the family whether he was a Petersheim, a Speicher, an Ebersol, an Umble or other names involved, they would nearly all follow the pattern of unity and contentment that dwelt in the family. Geneology wise they are the backbone of the present Pequea Church.

It is generally agreed that Jacob Stoltzfus was the first adult of the family to be buried in Millcreek. Quite likely though the lot was started with an infant which is often the case. How plans were drawn to start a burial lot in Millcreek is not exactly known. Apparently they were granted permission to bury on neighboring grounds which joined the Stoltzfus homestead since a burial plot was already started there. This adjoining farm was known as the Myer farm from which the present-day graveyard gets its name. The next adult may have been Elizabeth, second wife of Christian Stoltzfus in 1823 and Christian in 1832. Not until 1845 or 35 years after the first burial was a family plot really established. See following outlays.

Joseph F. Beiler

CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

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Wayne County, Ohio by Ray J. Yoder

June - the month of peas and strawberries, both were good crops and are now history. Hay is about all made. Corn is knee high. Wheat and oats look good in spite of dry weather. Haven't had a good rain since the first part of the month. Had lots of lightning, thunder and wind last night, but just a little sprinkling of rain. Temperature has been in the 90s the last three days, very warm humid and dry.

Adams County, Indiana by Mary Ann Hilty

Although the month of May seemed to be a dry month, the rainfall was 4.77 inches. What made the month seem dry was that there was no rainfall for 15 days from 9th to the 24th. There were 14 clear days, 12 partly cloudy, 5 cloudy, 9 rainy, and six thunderstorms

LaGrange County, Indiana by Ervin D. Hochstetler

Continued dry, only 2½ inches of rain in June. The last 4 days were the warmest with temperatures over 100 in some places. Some of the corn leaves are rolled due to dry weather. Most of the wheat is cut.

Daviess County, Indiana by Lester Marner

June began with rain the first three days. We had a record warming trend with official temperature of 100 on June 27. We needed a rain badly. Then on June 30th we were blessed with a shower. Wheat is being harvested, threshing hasn't begun as yet. Hogs are $20.25; Corn 1.58; Wheat, 1.44; Milk, 4.65; Eggs, .19¢ a dozen

Arthur, Illinois by Menno A. Diener

On June 2 we had from 1½ to 2 inches of rain and June 23 another one inch. It was very warm for several days with temperature at 100. The last few days were a little cooler. Wheat has been combined and oats are being cut. Most oats fields have some weeds in them.

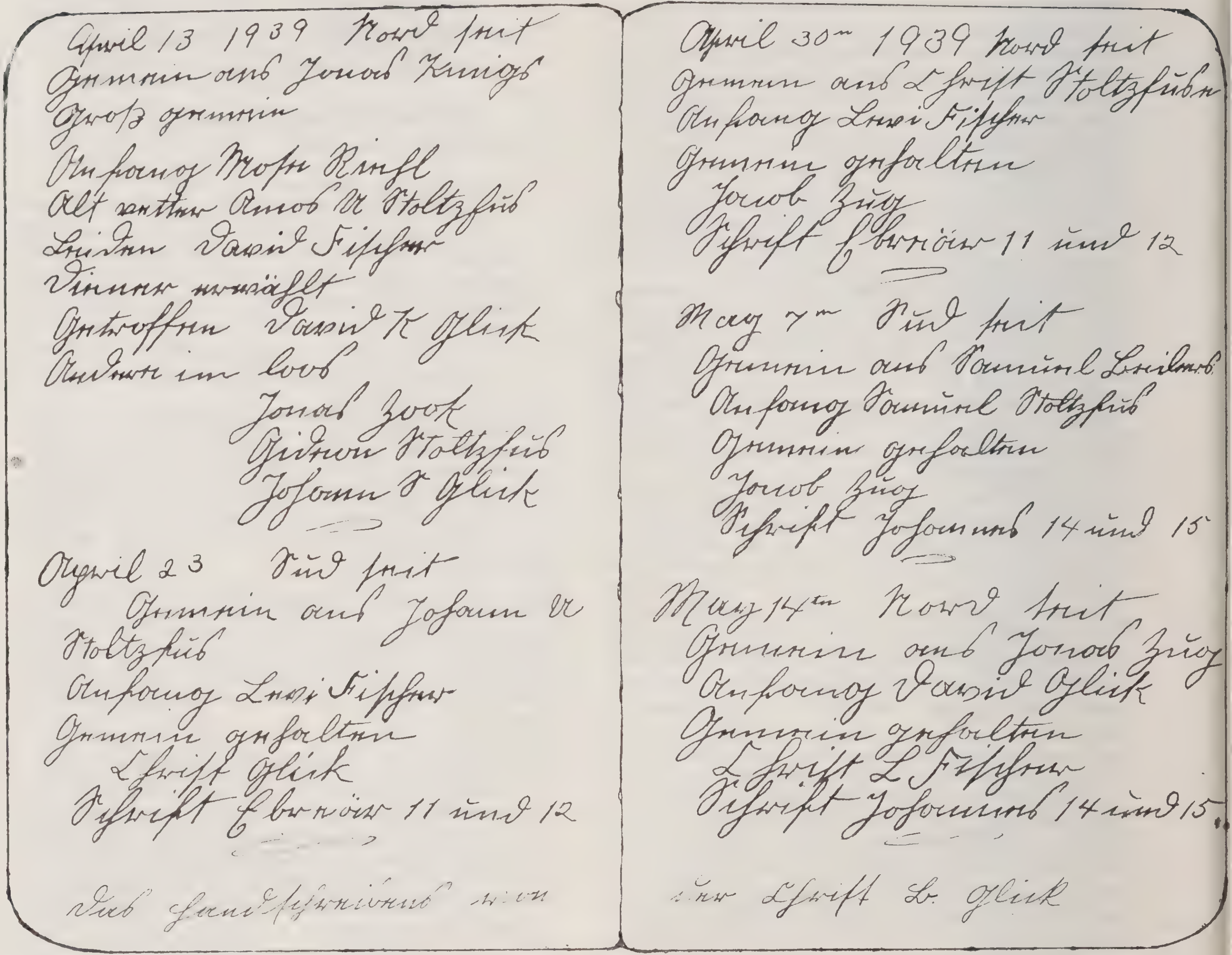
Johnson County, Iowa by Eli S. Bontrager

We are having warm and dry weathes. The rains have been very scattered. Oats are turning in color and look to be a good crop. Hay was quite heavy, some made up to 100 bales an acre. Corn has an exceptionally dark green color in spite of dry weather.

Aylmer, Ontario, Canada by Leroy Eicher

June has had a total rainfall of 1½ inches. It has been unusually dry and warm with the temperature rising to 95 degrees. Real hay curing weather, but we could use rain for other crops. Strawberries are slowing down.

GERMAN SCRIPT by Christian B. Glick



April 13 1939 Nord seit
Gemein aus Jonas Kings
Groß gemein
Anfang Mose Riehl
Alt vatter Amos K Stoltzfus
Leiden David Fischer
Diener erwählt
Getroffen David K Glick
Andere im loos
Jonas Zook
Gideon Stoltzfus
Johann S Glick

April 23 Süd seit
Gemein aus Johann K Stoltzfus
Anfang Levi Fischer
Gemein gehalten
Christ Glick
Schrift Ebräer 11 und 12

April 30th 1939 Nord seit
Gemein aus Christ Stoltzfus
Anfang Levi Fischer
Gemein gehalten
Jacob Zug
Schrift Ebräer 11 und 12

May 7th Süd seit
Gemein aus Samuel Beiler
Anfang Samuel Stoltzfus
Gemein gehalten
Jacob Zug
Schrift Johannes 14 und 15

May 14th Nord seit
Gemein aus Jonas Zug
Anfang David Glick
Gemein gehalten
Christ L Fischer
Schrift Johannes 14 und 15

Dies Handschreibens von der Christ B. Glick

CHRISTIAN B. GLICK

Born Nov. 6, 1868 - Died Oct. 2, 1959

Minister for 63 years

Christian B. Glick was born in Buffalo Valley, Union County, Pennsylvania, a son of David and Katie (Beiler) Glick. He was a grandson of Samuel and Barbara (Lantz) Glick. Barbara was a daughter of Samuel Lantz who is traditionally considered the founder of the Union Co. settlement. Samuel Glick was a son of John Glick who was the only member of his family to escape the Indians when they raided his home in Berks., Co Pa. It is a mystery how Little John escaped when the Indians killed the rest of the Peter Glick family. It is not known to us how old he was but he knew his name and when asked how many children there were he would raise both hands and say, "Fiele, fiele!" Peter had come from Switzerland in September, 1748. The homeless and lonely orphan, John finally found a home among the Amish in Big Valley, Mifflin Co., Pa. He grew up there, was baptized in the Old Order Amish faith, and married Magdalena Miller. To this union were born ten children. John died in 1850.

Christian B. Glick was the oldest child of his family and attended school at Glick's Corner in Buffalo Valley, which was close to his home.

A prize card given to him by his teacher, J. E. Dunkel in December 1875 had this verse:

How lovely, how charming the sight
When children their teacher obey!
The angels look down with delight
This beautiful scene to survey.

Buffalo Valley is a beautiful farming country, but there was dissension in the congregation and the people failed to live in peace among themselves. In the spring of 1877 the David Glick family took their possessions to Vicksburg, loaded them on three railroad cars and came to Lancaster Co. Unloading at Bird-in-Hand they reloaded their wagons and drove the cattle before them to their new home in Cattail. They bought the farm from Daniel B. Weaver at $162 per acre for 83 acres. The children went to school at Hatville. Five of the children had been born in Buffalo Valley and six in Lancaster Co. Their names were: Christian, Isaac, Rebecca, Samuel, Annie, Barbara, Moses, Malinda, Aaron, Katie and Mary. David died in 1893 leaving his widow and family with a heavy debt. Times were hard and they had to borrow money to pay their interest. the farm was sold again in 1901. John F. King now lives on the farm.

As the children grew older Christian went to work for his Beiler aunts, Nancy, Becky and Susie who were farming south of Intercourse. He used to take their fat hogs to the Union Stock Yards in Lancaster on the spring wagon. It was quite a trip with the twelve miles of dirt road from Intercourse to Lancaster- He worked there till he was grown to manhood. In 1888 he received instruction in the Lower Pequea District and was baptized in the southwest room of the house where they later farmed. In the same instruction class was a girl, Emma Kurtz, who was of Dunkard background but was raised by John Berkeys.

Emma and Katie, twin daughters of Edward and Christiana (Ortlieb) Kurtz were born at Monterey on September 8, 1867. They lived on the northeast corner of East Eby and Newport Roads. Edward was a wagoner and had come from Germany in 1847. He died when the twins were five years old and his wife could not support the four children, so the twins were put out to separate families. Emma went to live with her aunt and uncle, Christian Ortlieb. He was a carpenter and a kind man but his wife was cruel to the child in his absence. She had to watch the hogs in the woods with only bread spread with lard for the noon meal. Their wooden pump was so hard to handle that the little girl often went thirsty. How glad she must have been to see her uncle come home! There were more ways in which little Emma suffered and the neighbors would not stand to- see more of it. They had her removed from that home within the first year. So at six years of age she was kindly taken into the home of John Berkeys who were Amish. It seemed to be their intentions to keep her dressed as a Dunkard. There was very little difference in dress and the ways of life at that time. But by begging for Amish clothes Emma was soon dressed that way.

On December 10, 1891, Christian B. Glick and Emma Kurtz were married by Bishop Eli Zook in John Berkey's home. They started housekeeping in the Berkey tenant house and he worked for John for one dollar a day in the summer and fifty cents a day in winter. Born to them were six children: David K., John K., Annie M., Katie S., Christian A., and Aaron L. Annie died January 6, 1915 of diabetes at the age of fifteen. Aaron died July 22, 1917 of polio. He was eight. Only a small funeral was held because of the disease.

Bishop Christian Umble of the Lower Pequea district died March 23, 1896. Pre. David Stoltzfus of the same district died April 2, 1896. Being short of ministers and with the extra work of helping the Chester Co. congregation it was decided to ordain two ministers that spring. Communion and Ordination services were held at Benuel Fishers along the Newport Road at the west line of the district. Those in the lot were Samuel Kauffman, John Esh, Jacob Lapp, John Z. Stoltzfus, David L. Stoltzfus at Buckley's Forge, "Baldy" David K. Stoltzfus, Gideon Stoltzfus and Christian Glick. The lot fell on Gideon Stoltzfus and Christian Glick.

The farm south of White Horse where Pre. David Stoltzfus had lived was now owned by John Blank. Since Christian (Grisht) Glicks still lived in Berkey's tenant house John Blank gave them a chance to farm, so they moved there and later bought it. They paid $25 to $40 for cows except one that was an extra cow cost $45. There was a wagon to buy, a chovel harrow and a few smaller implements. The big item of the times was a grain binder that cost almost $100. Of course you had to walk along the side and rake off the wheat every time there was enough for a sheaf but at least you didn't have to swing the cradle. The manure spreader was unknown. Lime was burned in kilns on the farm and spread by hand. Corn and tobacco were planted by hand. The total expense to start farming in 1898 was about $1,000. They farmed until 1926 when daughter Katie and son-in-law David S. Esh moved onto the farm and they moved into the small house across the road. From July to Octobez in 1928 he and Pre. Christian Fisher traveled through the west visiting most of the Amish settlements of that time.

As old age came they lived with the children. Emma died July 30, 1954 in the same room she had been baptized 66 years earlier. For pastime he caned chairs and greatly enjoyed visiting with his many friends. He often talked fondly of life in Buffalo Valley and the peace and quiet of the country at that time. He could remember when the world lived almost as it had for hundreds of years. Then during his lifetime things changed. One invention followed another till the world seemed full of newfangled gadgets and restlessness. His last sermon was preached at the home of Benuel Fishers in the Upper Pequea district on September 6, 1959. They had special services that day for the visiting minister, Bennie A. Fisher from Somerset County, Pennsylvania.

His passing into rest was rather sudden on the morning of October 2, 1959. Funeral services were held at the Christ A. Glick home on October 3 by Sam Stoltzfus and Abner Glick. Hymns read by Aaron J. and Elam Stoltzfus. Pallbearers were grandsons, Christian R., Christian F., and Samuel B. Glick and Amos G. Esh. Burial was at Millwood.

Submitted by Christian G. Esh

OUR SENIOR MEMBERS BORN IN OR BEFORE 1891

Lancaster County, Pa.

Men

April 19, 1880 - Amos L. Beiler, Paradise R1, Pa.
Sept. 19, 1880 - Moses B. King, Honey Brook, R1, Pa.
March 16, 1882 - Daniel S. King, Narvon R2, Pa.
Feb. 17, 1883 - Stephen M. Stoltzfus, Gap R1, Pa.
Jan. 7, 1885 - Moses Lapp, Gap R1, Pa.
July 5, 1885 - John M. Fisher, Ronks R1, Pa.
Aug. 23, 1885 - Aaron F. Stoltzfus, Leola R1, Pa.
Sept. 3, 1885 - Henry U. Stoltzfus, Gap R1, Pa.
May 3, 1886 - Amos R. Glick 188 Geist Rd., Lancaster, Pa.
June 30, 1886 - David B. Zook, Bird-in-Hand R1, Pa.
Nov. 7, 1886 - Jacob K. Stoltzfus Bird-in-Hand R1, Pa.
Dec. 14, 1886 - Henry B. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, Pa.
Aug. 1, 1887 - Amos U. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, Pa.
Oct. 17, 1887 - John F. Smoker, East Earl R1, Pa.
Oct. 28, 1887 - Isaac B. Zook, Christiana R1, Pa.
Sept. 21, 1888 - Amos L. Beiler, Narvon R2, Pa.
Nov. 17, 1888 - Jacob B. Lapp, Gordonville R1, Pa.
Dec. 10, 1888 - Aaron Esh, Leola R1, Pa.
Jan. 21, 1889 - Christian M. Lapp, New Holland R2
May 8, 1889 - Samuel F. Lapp, Gap R1, Pa.
Nov. 20, 1889 - Noah D. Zook, Old Phila. Pike, Lancaster, Pa.
Jan. 7, 1890 - Stephen K. Fisher, Honey Brook, Pa.
Jan. 19, 1890 - John F. Stoltzfoos, Bird-in-Hand, R1, Pa.
Jan. 28, 1890 - David B. Fisher, Christiana R1, Pa.
Feb. 21, 1890 - Daniel U. Stoltzfus Honey Brook R1, Pa.
March 11, 1890 - Ezra D. Beiler, Ronks R1, Pa.
March 30, 1890 - Christian S. Beiler, Gordonville R1, Pa.
Aug. 18, 1890 - Samuel E. Stoltzfus Gordonville R1, Pa.
Sept. 25, 1890 - Henry Z. Fisher, Paradise R1, Pa.
Oct. 6, 1890 - Daniel B. Esh, Gordonville R1, Pa.
Nov. 11, 1890 - Jeptha Stoltzfus, Quarryville R3, Pa.
Dec. 14, 1890 - Daniel L. Esh, Ronks R1, Pa.
June 26, 1891 - Eli S. King, Ronks R1, Pa.

Women

Sept. 25, 1872 - Salina, widow of Enos Stoltzfus Lancaster R4, Pa.
July 23, 1877 - Barbara Zook, Lancaster R4, Pa.
Nov. 22, 1877 - Annie, widow of Amos Allgyer Gap R1, Pa.
March 7, 1878 - Barbara, wife of Daniel K. Smoker Ronks R1, Pa.
Aug. 24, 1880 - Sarah, widow of Levi Z. Stoltzfus Ronks R1, Pa.
Aug. 26, 1880 - Mary, widow of Abram King Bird-in-Hand R1, Pa.
July 7, 1882 - Ida, wife of Moses B. King Honey Brook R2, Pa.
Nov. 24, 1882 - Katie, widow of Christian Blank Kinzers R1, Pa.
April 14, 1883 - Rebecca, widow of John D. Stoltzfus Leola R1, Pa.
Feb. 16, 1884, Fannie, widow of David M. King Kinzers R1, Pa.
July 14, 1884 - Arie, widow of Benjamin E. Stoltzfus Kirkwood R1, Pa.
Aug. 15, 1884 - Sarah, widow of Daniel Zook, Mechanicsville R2, Md.
Aug. 19, 1884 - Sarah, widow of Benjamin B. Beiler Gap R1, Pa.
Dec. 25, 1884 - Sarah, widow of Daniel E. Stoltzfus Bird-in-Hand, R1, Pa.
May 39, 1885 - Emma, widow of Jonas E. Stoltzfus Narvon R1, Pa.
April 2, 1886 - Fannie, widow of Bennie L. Fisher Honey Brook R1, Pa.
July 3, 1886 - Fannie, wife of Amos U. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, Pa.
Feb. 13, 1887 - Katie, widow of Amos B. Zook, Leola R1, Pa.
Aug. 11, 1887 - Lydia, widow of Daniel Beiler, Quarryville R3, Pa.
Sept. 21, 1887 - Mary, widow of Benjamin B. Fisher Soudersburg, Pa.
Oct. 24, 1884 - Sallie, widow of Joseph E. Stoltzfus Bird-in-Hand R1, Pa.
May 12, 1888 - Rachel, wife of Moses Lapp Gap R1, Pa.
Dec. 25, 1888 - Mary, widow of Daniel Stoltzfus, Leola R1, Pa.
Jan. 4, 1889 - Fannie, wife of Amos R. Glick 188 Geist Rd., Lancaster, Pa.
Sept. 17, 1889 - Esther King, Strasburg, Pa.
Dec. 17, 1889 - Annie King, Gordonville R1, Pa.
Jan. 29 1890 - Emma, wife of John F. Smoker, E East Earl R1, Pa.
May 1, 1890 - Rebecca, wife of Christian S. Beiler Gordonville R1, Pa.
Aug. 6, 1890 - Rebecca, widow of Samuel Smucker Gordonville R1, Pa.
Aug. 24, 1890 - Rebecca, widow of Amos Petersheim Strasburg R1, Pa.
Aug. 28, 1890 - Annie, wife of Amos L. Beiler Narvon R1, Pa.
Feb. 6, 1891 - Susie, wife of Eli S. King Ronks R1, Pa.

COUPLES MARRIED 50 YEARS OR MORE

Jan. 30, 1905 - Moses and Ida (Beiler) King Honey Brook R2, Pa.
Nov. 25, 1909 - Amos R. and Fannie (Stoltzfus) Glick 188 Geist Rd., Lancaster, Pa.
Dec. 16, 1909 - John F. and Emma (Zook) Smoker East Earl R1, Pa.
Nov. 24, 1910 - Amos L. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Beiler Narvon R2, Pa.
Nov. 28, 1911 - Christian S. & Rebecca Beiler Gordonville R1, Pa.
Dec. 14, 1911 - Amos U. and Fannie (Lapp) Stoltzfus Ronks R1, Pa.

LaGrange and Elkhart Counties, Indiana

Jan. 3, 1872 - Mrs. Noah (Katie) Bender, Goshen R4, Indiana
Sept. 4, 1873 - Mrs. David (Anna) Schrock Shipshewana R1, Ind.

April 21, 1875 - Mrs. Levi (Lydia) Knepp Goshen R1, Ind.
Dec. 87, 1875 - Samuel J. Christner, Shipshewana R2, Ind.
Dec. 18, 1876 - Bishop David D. Helmuth Middlebury R1, Indiana
Jan. 16, 1878 - MRs. Sam Y. (Anna) Lehman LaGrange R4, Ind.
Dec. 2, 1878 - Mrs. Joseph (Mattie) Lehman Shipshewana, Ind.
Oct. 3, 1879 - Mrs. Abner (Barbara) Miller Millersburg, Ind
Jan. 24, 1881 - Mrs. Jacob J. (Fannie) Lambright Topeka R1, Ind.
March 8 1881 - Menno J. Bontrager Middlebury, Ind.
May 22, 1882 - Levi L. Mast, Topeka R2, Ind.
Aug. 16, 1882 - Mrs. Joe N. (Delilah) Bontrager Millersburg R1, Ind.
Sept. 23, 1883 - Mrs. Uriah (Rebecca) Miller Shipshewana R1, Ind.
Jan. 29, 1883 - Mrs. Joseph (Fannie) Slabach Middlebury R2, Ind.
Feb. 8, 1883 - John I. Bontrager Shipshewana, Ind.
Oct. 15, 1883 - Joseph H. Yoder Middlebury, Ind.
Oct. 18, 1883 - Mrs. Noah N. (Lizzie) Miller, Goshen R1, Ind.
Dec. 12, 1883 - Mrs. Edward (Anna) Hochstetler Howe R1, Ind.
June 4, 1884 - Jacob R. Miller, Middlebury R1, Ind.
Nov. 2, 1884 - Mrs. Sam (Clara) Bontrager LaGrange R1, Ind.
Nov. 27, 1884 - Mrs. Jonathan (Fannie) Lehman Topeka R1, Ind.
Jan. 31, 1885 - Mrs. Ben (Lizzie) Bontrager, Topeka R1, Ind.
Feb. 10, 1885 - Dea. Moses F. Miller, Millersburg R1, Ind.
May 22,1886 - Andrew Eash, Shipshewana R2, Ind.
July 29, 1886 - Mrs. David V. (Maryann) Hochstetler Topeka R1, Ind.
July 31, 1886 - John A. Miller, Howe R3, Ind.
Nov. 15, 1886 - Mrs. Joe (Lydia)Bontrager Middlebury R1, Ind.
April 26, 1887 - Al J. Kauffman, Middlebury R1, Ind.
May 10, 1887 - Mrs. Al J. (Clara) Kauffman Middlebury R1, Ind.
Nov. 6, 1887 - Mrs. Levi (Mary) Mast Topeka R2, Ind.
Nov. 21, 1887 - Mrs. John S. (Martha) Miller Topeka R2, Ind.
Dec. 16, 1887 - Osa Schlabach, Goshen R1, Ind.
July 14, 1888 - David J. Kauffman, Shipshewana, Ind.
Nov. 4, 1888 - Mrs. David R. (Lydia) Bontrager Millersburg R1, Ind.
Dec. 13, 1888 - Mrs. Henry L. (Susie) Miller, Topeka R1, Ind.
March 2, 1889 - Servin J. Kauffman, Middlebury R2, Ind.
April 8, 1889 - Mrs. Mose D. (Barbara)Glick Goshen R1, Ind.
Sept. 4, 1889 - Mrs. Andrew (Lydia) Miller Middlebury R1, Ind
Sept. 5, 1889 - Samuel J. Barkman LaGrange R4, Ind.
Sept. 27, 1889 - Levi E. Miller, Shipshewana, Ind.
Nov. 1, 1889 - Dea. Ervin J. Miller LaGrange R1, Ind.
Nov. 30, 1889 - Dea. Menno E. Hershberger Topeka R1, Ind.
Feb. 4, 1890 - Dea Levi B. Hostetler Shipshewana R1, Ind.
Feb. 14, 1890 - Mrs. John I. (Barbara) Bontrager Shipshewana R2, Ind.
March 4, 1890 - Mrs. Menno J.S. (Susie) Yoder Topeka R2, Ind.
Sept. 1, 1890 - Jacob S. Schlabach, Topeka R2, Ind.
Nov. 18, 1890 - Bish. Dan B. Bontrager, LaGrange R4, Ind.

COUPLES MARRIED 50 YEARS OR MORE

Nov. 8, 1916 - William D. and Susie (Yoder) Yoder Topeka R1, Ind.
Feb. 15, 1917 - David J. and Susie (Mast) Mast Middlebury R1, Ind.
March 8, 1917 - Elmer T. and Anna (Miller) Miller Goshen R1, Ind.
Oct. 29, 1917 - Eli R. and Lovina (Burkholder) Miller Goshen R1, Ind.
Dec. 13, 1917 - Menno S. and Elizabeth (Yoder) Beachy, Millersburg, R1, Ind.
Dec. 24, 1917 - Noah S. and Elizabeth (Glick) Frye Wolcottville R1, Ind.
Jan. 10, 1918 - Tobias M. and Mattie (Troyer) Hochstetler, Topeka R2, Ind.
Jan. 10, 1918 - Amos S. and Edna C. (Yoder) Miller Topeka R2, Ind.
Jan. 24, 1918 - Jacob E. and Mary (Christner) Hochstetler, Shipshewana R2, Ind.
Jan. 31, 1918 - Levi D. and Amelia (Lehman) Mast, Topeka R1, Ind.
Feb. 7, 1918 - Harry M. and Barbara (Miller) Troyer Shipshewana R2, Ind.
Feb. 13, 1918 - William S. and Edna (Miller) Miller Topeka R2, Ind.
Feb. 20, 1919 - Dan A. and Anna (Yoder) Beachy Topeka R2, Ind.
Feb. 27, 1919 - Ezra L. and Susie (Lehman) Bontrager Middlebury R1, Ind.
Mar. 13, 1919 - Noah J. and Mattie (Yoder) Yoder Shipshewana R1, Ind.

Arthur, Illinois

June 22, 1878 - Maryann Schlabach
June 20, 1880 - Noah C. Yoder
Aug. 28, 1880 - Mrs. Rebecca Schrock
Aug. 29, 1880 - David A. Troyer
June 14, 1881 - Mrs. Ben (Katie) Yoder
Feb. 18, 1883 - Mrs. John (Lizzie) Miller
Sept. 29, 1884 - Pre Jacob E. Miller
April 8, 1885 - John C. Gingerich
Sept. 3, 1885 - Dave Yoder
Dec. 10, 1885 - Mrs. Joe (Tillie) Yoder
Dec. 12, 1886 - Mrs. Dave (Mattie) Yoder
Jan 2, 1887 - Ammon B. Miller
Feb. 27, 1887 - Mrs. Bish. S.N. (Fannie) Beachy
March 16, 1887 - Jacob A. Kauffman
July 6 1888 - Menno J. Schrock

OUR SENIOR MEMBERS, continued

Arthur, Ill., continued

July 18, 1888 - Eli M. Otto
March 5, 1889 - Mrs. Amanda Schrock
July 30, 1889 - Elmer Stutzman
Sept. 17, 1889 - Mrs. Minnie Schrock

DOVER, DELAWARE

Aug. 23, 1880 - Daniel S. Mast, Dover R2
May 23 1884 - Manasses Slaubaugh, Wyoming R1
Aug. 24, 1884 - Dea. John M. Beachy, Dover R2
Oct. 14, 1885 - Annie B., widow of Stephen King Wyoming R1, formerly of Lanc. Co. Pa.
Feb. 21 1886 - Eva P., widow of Henry S. Miller Dover R2
Nov. 6, 1889 - Bish. Eli S. Miller, Dover R2
July 28, 1890 - Amanda, widow of Y.D. Mast, Dover R2
March 12, 1891 - Eliza, widow of Dan D. Miller Dover R2
April 28, 1891 - John J. Yoder, Dover R2

STUARTS DRAFT, VIRGINIA

May 12, 1879 - John B. Yoder, Stuarts Draft, Va.
Dec. 19, 1881 - Sarah Yoder, Stuarts Draft, Va.
March 17, 1885 - Lydianne Stutzman Stuarts Draft, Va.
March 17, 1885 - Peter J. Kinsinger, Staunton, Va.
April 14, 1887 - Mrs. Gid Byler, Staunton, Va.
May 26, 1887 - Ed Mast, Stuarts Draft, Va.
July 1, 1889 - Jake Stutzman
Aug. 16, 1889 - Noah Mast, Stuarts Draft, Va.

SOMERSET COUNTY, PA.

Nov. 21, 1881 - Benjamin Summy, Star Rt. Springs, Pa. % Ray S. Kinsinger
March 19, 1887 - Mrs. Sam U. Yoder, Salisbury R1, Pa.
Aug. 10, 1887 - Urias A. Kinsinger, Salisbury R1, Pa.
Feb. 16, 1890 - Mrs. Mary Yoder, Grantsville, Md.
March 31, 1890 - Sam U. Yoder, Salisbury R1, Pa.
Dec. 19, 1890 - Mrs. Effie Yoder, Salisbury R1, Pa.
Aug. 31, 1891 - Mrs. Amos J. Yoder, Springs, Pa.

MIFFLIN COUNTY, PA.

Dec. 7, 1884 - Joseph Hostetler
April 3, 1887 - Miss Katie M. Peachey
April 8, 1887 - Samuel Sharp
May 2, 1888 - Mary, widow of Josiah H. Peachey
Oct. 4, 1890 - Daniel Y. Peachey
Oct. 24, 1890 - Lizzie widow of Bish. Noah D. Yoder

Katie M. Peachey and Widow Lizzie Yoder are sisters

LEBANON COUNTY, PA.

March 24, 1881 - Samuel F. Zook
Oct. 17, 1889 - Menno D. Swarey
Dec. 9, 1890 - Jacob Z. Smoker

WELDA, KANSAS

Oct. 9, 1879 - Bish. John A. Yoder, Welda, Ks.
Jan 7, 1885 - Barbara, wife of Bish John A. Yoder
Sept. 30, 1887 - Joni A. Yoder, Welda, Kansas

BUCHANAN CO., IOWA

May 7, 1886 - Mrs. Noah (Lovina) Plank
Dec. 18, 1890 - Mrs. Amos A.J. (Fannie) Yoder

JUNIATA COUNTY, PA.

Feb. 22, 1888 - Abe P. Weaver Mifflintown, Pa.

call a Few Memories of the Past

In the January 1971 issue of THE DIARY we mentioned Jacob Lapp, the second son of Michael Lapp Sr. who was born in 1766 in Berks County, Pennsylvania. Since that issue more information has been obtained. Jacob Lapp was a landowner in Caernarvon Twp. Lancaster Co. and also in Chester Co., Pa. From available records we find that his last residence in Pennsylvania was East Whiteland Twp. Chester County. He was married to Margart Richenbach, a daughter of John Richenbach. Jacob Lapp was also named one of the executors of his father's estate in 1824. In 1828 Jacob Lapp with his wife and family moved to Clarence Center in Clarence Township in Erie County, New York, about sixteen miles east of Buffalo. Here, it is believed, they started an Amish church of which Jacob Lapp was their first ordained minister, in 1829. We have no record of how large a family they had, but have records of two Lapps living there, namely, John and Abraham who were both ordained ministers. John was a son of Jacob, born June 22, 1798 in Chester Co., Pa., died August 6, 1878, was married to Barbara Kurtz daughter of Jacob Kurtz born March 1801, died March 1888. Abraham Lapp, born 1794, died 1882, and wife Anna Smith 1799-1885, moved from Hopewell, New York to Clarence in 1832. I cannot say whether these two Lapps were related or not. Jacob Lapp and wife Margert are both buried at Clarence New York in a local cemetery, the headstones bear the inscriptions: Jacob Lapp, 1766-1854 wife Margert Lapp, 1765-1854. The son John memtioned above was ordained around 1830. Their family Bible is now in the possession of the West Chester Historical Society of Chester County. In the fly leaves of the old German Lutheran Bible he lists in his own handwriting the names and birth dates of his children, being ten in number as follows: Elizabeth Lapp born February 9, 1821; Jacob Lapp born March 28, 1823; Samuel Lapp born January 16, 1826; John Lapp born January 30, 1827; Joseph Lapp born June 14, 1830; George Lapp born July 25, 1831; Susanna Lapp born August 13, 1832; Henry Lapp born February 9, 1836; Christian Lapp born February 27, 1839; Benjamin Lapp born March 11, 1843.

It is not known just how large a congregation of Amish people there was at Clarence, but in 1831 a certain Jacob Krehbill, being a minister came by way of the St. Lawrence River from Germany. The best way to explain this is to print a paragraph from the writings of Jacob Krehbill which was later published in the MENNONITE QUARTERLY REVIEW which describes their experience as follows:

"We were all heartily tired of traveling and were anxious to put an end to it but did not think that there were Mennonites in this region, until we asked and discovered that this actually was the case and that a Mennonite church was in existence sixteen miles from Buffalo. Since I could not go myself but heard there was plenty of land in this community to be bought, I sent Fritz and Johannes with my church letter to the preacher of that congregation by the name of John Lapp. They were heartily received and the preacher spent a day in going around with them in inspecting the land that could be bought. On the third day he hitched up his wagon and his two horses and himself drove with 2 friends to Buffalo with the intention of taking me out to see it myself, Fritz and Johannes were well pleased with this neighborhood which is beautiful and level like the county near Worms. The fine crop of standing corn was evidence of fertility. When I arrived, the friends took me to inspect several farms and we decided to buy fifty acres with buildings near their dwelling places for $560.00. Then they hitched up two wagons and brought our baggage from Buffalo. We had lived fourteen days in Buffalo, and now we began our housekeeping on our own property, bought wheat for seed, and started the work. Since we had as yet no horses, our neighbors, brethren in the faith, plowed a nice piece of land for us, sowed it, and prepared it for a crop. Shortly thereafter we bought a team of oxen for $50.00 and sowed another piece of land "

Jacob Krehbill was chosen by lot as Bishop of that place. With this happening and John Lapp being more conservative than Krehbill there arose some difficulties in the congregation. Some of it being due to using texts from the Old Testament and with the instruction concerning the youth before baptism, together with some other problems. With these problems arising Lapp and a small group withdrew from Krehbill and his followers. It was not until after these happenings that Krehbill and his followers joined the General Conference Mennonites. John Lapp of that place was then elected Bishop in 1839 and not until after the death of Jacob Krehbill did he unite with the General Conference Mennonites. John Lapp was overseer of several churches in Welland County, Ontario, Canada. Lapp also endorsed the use of the English language which was not accepted in Canada until later years.

From all indications John Lapp was in full harmony with the Amish churches of Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania at the start, but due to differences in opinions there arose some disputes. As you notice above, John Lapp's wife was Barbara Kurtz, she being a sister to Elizabeth Kurtz who was married to Pre. John Mast of Morgantown, while he being in good harmony with Lapp and greeting him on his arrival as before, formed different opinions in the churches of Lancaster Co. Whereupon Pre. John Mast and family and several others decided to migrate to Baltimore Co., Maryland to what is called Long Green. To this day nothing is there to indicate an Amish Mennonite settlement except the small cemetery, as their descendants moved to different parts of the country.

At first when John Lapp lived in Erie County, New York he wrote several letters to folks in Lanc. Co. inviting them to come to their settlement describing the land as being cheap and very fertile and it produces crops just as good as in Lancaster Co., Pa. In later years he moved to Williamsville, a few miles west toward Buffalo, New York. The last sermon he preached was a funeral sermon before about eight hundred people in Canada.

We were informed that none of his children are affiliated with the Mennonite church. One of his sons, Henry was for years a doctor in that locality, and a road at Williamsville has been named "Lapp Road" in honor of Dr. Henry Lapp. Following is part of an obituary which appeared in the HEROLD OF TRUTH in 1878 of the death of John Lapp.

DEATH OF BRO. JOHN LAPP

It becomes our painful and solemn duty to announce the death of Bro. John Lapp, one of the oldest and most respected bishops of our church. He died at his home in the village of Williamsville, Erie Co., New York, on the 5th of August, the cause of death being paralysis. He had attained the advanced age of 80 years, 1 month and 14 days.

Bro Lapp was born in Chester Co., Pa., on the 22nd day of June 1798. In the year 1828 he removed to Clarence, Erie Co., and resided there just forty years, having removed to Williamsville in 1868 where he lived up to the time of his death. While in Clarence he became a minister of the Mennonite church, of which he was ordained bishop in 1839. He followed the occupation of a farmer and never received any pay for his ministerial services.

The deceased was married in Pennsylvania in 1818 to Barbara Kurtz, who survives him. He also leaves five sons and one daughter, the former being Jacob and Christian Lapp who reside on the homestead; John Lapp farmer of Amherst; Dr. Henry Lapp of Clarence, and Benjamin Lapp of Williamsville. The daughter Betsie is the mother of Jno. D. Leib

by Amos L. Fisher

to be continued

THE STOLTZFUS FAMILY BURIALS

A Supplement to the Article "Two Hundred Years in America"

An article on family history is not at all complete without some information on the burials. To this the Stoltzfus family is no exception. Hardly any Amish graveyards have received more extensive study of late years than the Myers Cemetery which was formerly and properly named Millcreek. David K. Stoltzfus of Ronks R1, Pa. has drawn a map of the graveyard with carefully placed lots and a separately compiled tombstone reading and indexed booklet, which is a handy, ever ready reference to burials. This was published in 1969 and is available in local bookstores. David Petersheim has also done very minute sketching of the same graveyard with accurate details on the burials there. As he is a present caretaker or trustee of the cemetery and with fine cooperation of older members such as Elam B. Stoltafoos and Ephraim Riehl (the later's land joining the graveyard) he is in position to produce a most treasured account of historical value available today. Although his work was not compiled for publication, THE DIARY staff is very fortunate to have some of his studies released to them, which follow in this issue.

Now to get back to our first subject, we will try to illustrate a few noteworthy points of interest that can be gleaned from these cemetery studies. Maybe we cannot bring up many new items but we can certainly strengthen some old brackets that merit a good review. To keep this article simple and compact we will try to bring it to two points.

1. The Vital Statistics Bureau of Washington D.C. has released a statement that Nicolas Stoltzfus is probably the progenitor of more farmers than anyone else in America.

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BURIAL RITES

As far back in history as we may go or to the beginning of man we soon learn that as it is the duty of the head of the house to provide for food and clothing it is also his duty to provide for family burial grounds. In the time of the patriarchs we have a clear example of this. Abraham was directed by Divine Providence to live in Canaan as a pilgrim, yet he bought a parcel of ground from the children of Heth as a family burial plot, although he was gifted with great possessions, it is supposed that this is the only ground he ever owned. This ground provided burial rights for his children and children's children even after the children of Isreal were led to live in Egypt they commanded to have their bodies returned to these sacred burial grounds after death.

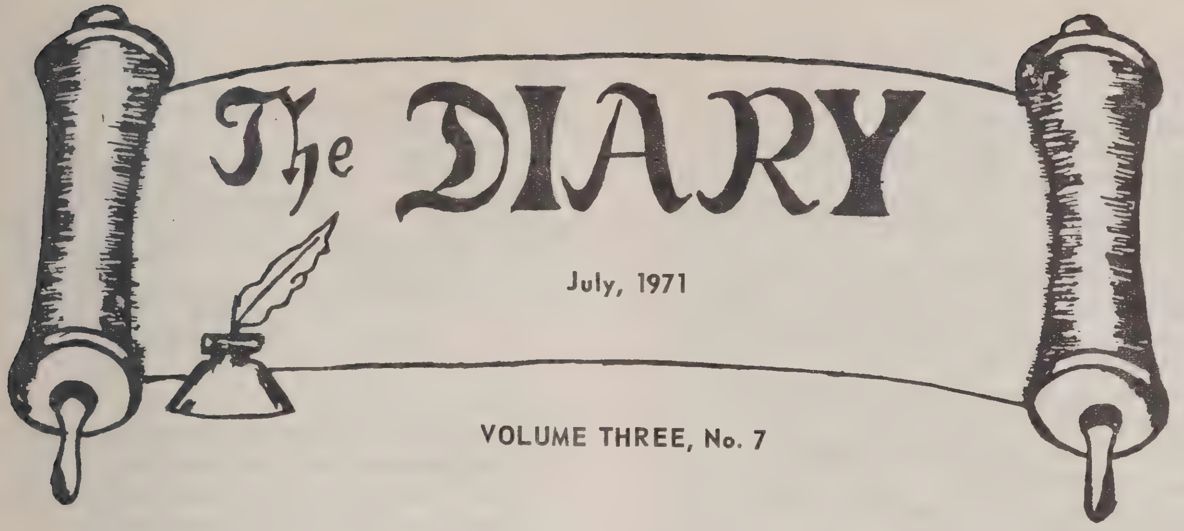
These early fathers hardly ever thought that the time would come that such provisions would ever be hard to meet or become complicated, but soon enough through vastly populated cities, during wars and pestilence, or even through careless discipline ruling of a country, and low morality, it did happen.

In a way it may seem that our Divine Ruler has always extended such provisions to His children, and this could be true excepting times of persecution. The earliest example of this generally noticed in the bible is in the time the children of Isreal were led into captivity in the land of Assyria as given in the book of Tobit. Yet minor afflictions of this nature did occur in Jerusalem already in the reign of King David.

Soon after the birth of Christ these conditions grew harder. A group of despised Jews in Italy were refused legal burial rights and even in their own cemetery, but were forced to chisel graves in rocks to bury their dead. Again in reformation times conditions were much the same and during the thirty years war many were not buried at all. In heavily populated places in the old world it has long been a problem to find a place to bury the dead. It would be next to impossible to find burial markers of our ancesters in Europe Today. At many places a graveyard is used for a period of time then filled up and used over again. However some markers are preserved.

Another place of burial not so commonly spoken of is at sea. It has been estimated that over five thousand bodies of German immigrants from 1683-1804 were buried at sea. Surely some of them were our direct ancesters.

Now that we are in a land of freedon do we truly appreciate the privilege of legal burial rites? From examples of our fathers in America we should learn that we as fathers today should seek to provide for the family and be concerned to keep the burial place of our fathers orderly, in due respect to them, however humbly their lives were lived.



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PENNA. BARN FIRE

The barn on the farm of Samuel S. Smoker, Ronks R1, Pa. burned down to the foundation Sun. p.m., Aug. 8. Smokers had visitors and the children were playing with matches which started the blaze. This barn was erected in 1967 after the other one was destroyed by fire. Firemen were able to save the foundation and work was started the next day to build a new barn.

BUGGY CRASH KILLS PA. MAN, WIFE INJURED

John B. Hershberger, 24, of Oxford R1, Pa. was killed and his wife seriously injured in a car-buggy accident on Route 472 a mile south of Kirkwood at 8:50 p.m. Wednesday, July 15. He was pronounced dead on arrival at Lancaster General Hospital.

Injured was Sarah (King) Hershberger, 27, who was listed in "serious" condition in the intensive care unit of the hospital. She suffered a possible spine injury, possible fractured skull, scalp lacerations and a possible fracture of the left ankle.

The accident occurred as the buggy was being driven north on Route 472. A car was also going north, approached the buggy over a hill, attempted to pass but the driver saw an approaching southbound car, then swung back into the northbound lane and struck the buggy. (see obituary)

OHIO YOUTH SHOT ACCIDENTALLY

David A. Miller, 17, son of Andy D. Miller of RD 3, Fresno, Ohio was accidentally shot in the upper right arm about 6 p.m. Monday, July 5. The accident happened on the John A. Raber farm in Crawford Twp. as Miller and Ervin J. Raber were shooting a .22 caliber pistol into a farm pond. The bullet apparently glanced off the water and entered the boy's arm. He was admitted to Pomerene Hospital in Millersburg.

DIABETIC DIED AT AGE 24

John S. Fisher Jr., 24, 133 Buckwalter Road, Lancaster, Pa., son of John S. and Barbara (Esh) Fisher, died Monday, August 2 at 11:45 p.m. in St. Joseph's Hospital after a lengthy illness.

BISHOP HELMUTH DIED AT AGE 94

Bishop David Helmuth of Middlebury, Indiana was born December 18, 1876 and died July 17, 1971 at the age of 94 years, 7 months and 30 days.

He was married in 1902, to Fannie Kauffman, who preceded him in death in 1935. He married Sovilla Miller in 1950. She preceded him in death in 1954.

Surviving are four sons, Harvey of Middlebury, Irvin of Elkhart, Daniel of Lakewood, Fla., and Truman of Plain City, Ohio; three daughters, Mrs. Sarah Miller of Kalona, Iowa, Fannie Helmuth of Goshen and Mrs. George Yoder of Middlebury; 31 grandchildren and 63 great-grandchildren. A son Rudy, preceded him in death in 1964.

Funeral services were held Monday, July 19 at the Joe M. Bontrager home by Pre. Harry Stutzman and Bishop John D. Troyer. The body was then taken to Kokomo, Ind. and services were held on Tues. July 20 at the Allen Bontrager home and burial was in the Christner Cemetery beside his first wife.

JOHNSON CO., IOWA BISHOP DIED

Bishop Ira Nissley died June 28 at the age of 81. Funeral services were held at the home by Bishop John Kramer of Jamesport, Mo. and Henry N. Miller of Middlebury, Ind. in the house. And by Tobe Detweiler of Jamesport, and Eli Troyer of Plain City, Ohio in the barn. Burial was in the East Union Cem.

Survivors include the widow, three daughters, 2 sons, and four step-children.

BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pa.

BEILER, Ira S. (Melinda Fisher) Paradise R1
a son JOSEPH, July 4

EBERSOL, Benjamin (Salome Lapp) Bird-in-Hand
a daughter, July 15

ESH, Aaron S. Lena S. King) Gordonville R1
a daughter NAOMI ANN, July 31

ESH, Ammon L. (Rachel Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1
a son GIDEON, July 28

ESH, Emanuel Jr. (Katie Stoltzfoos) Ronks R1
a son MELVIN S., July 28

ESH, Jesse L. (Malinda Stoltzfus) Narvon R1
a daughter SUSIE, July 8

ESH, Moses (Lizzie Lapp) New Holland R1
a daughter LYDIA L., July 30

FISHER, David (Lydia Fisher) Paradise R1
a son AARON, July 17

FISHER, Levi L. (Sadie Stoltzfus) Gap R1
a daughter ELIZABETH, July 9

FISHER, Roy S. (Sylvia Lapp) Quarryville R3
a son JONATHAN, July 5

GLICK, David A. (Barbara M. Fisher) Kinzers R1
a son PHARES, July 10

KAUFFMAN, Christian J. (Anna S. Flaud) Paradise R1
a daughter DOROTHY F., July 27

KAUFFMAN, John P. (Susie Stoltzfus) Honey Brook R1
a daughter PRISCILLA, July 23

KING, David K. (Anna Lapp) Lititz R3
a daughter SADIE, July 3

KING, Enos B. (Elizabeth F. Zook) Gap R1
a son JOHN MARK, July 16

LAPP, Daniel K. (Mary B. Lantz) Quarryville R1
a son AARON, July 1

LAPP, Jesse J. (Barbara Lapp) Ronks R1
a son AARON, July 31

LAPP, John E. (Lydia S. King) Quarryville R3
a daughter NAOMI K., July 15

MILLER, John B. (Katie F. Stoltzfus) Bird-inHand R1
a daughter ANNIE, July 8

MILLER, John L. (Rebecca B. King) Leola R1
a son DANIEL K., July 22

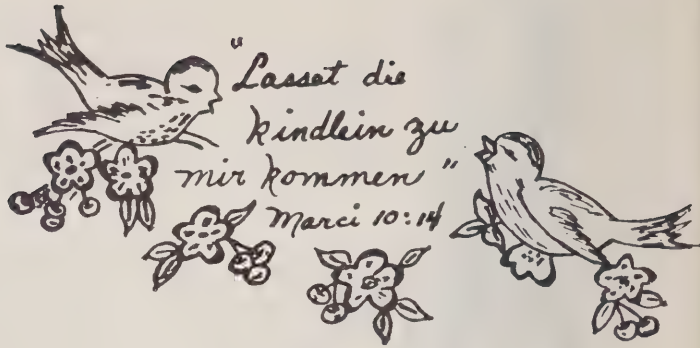
PETERSHEIM, John D. (Mary K. King) Ronks R1
a son MOSES K., July 29

PETERSHEIM, Moses R. (Rachel Glick) Bird-in-Hand
R1, a son JOHN JACOB, July 7

RIEHL, Amos (Annie Stoltzfus) Strasburg R1
a daughter FANNIE MAE, July 3

RIEHL, Gideon P. (Malinda Stoltzfus) Honey Brook R1
a son GIDEON P. JR., July 8

STOLTZFOOS, Samuel F. (Fannie Z. Beiler) Gap R1
a daughter NANCY B., July 1



STOLTZFUS, Abner L. (Sarah B. King) Bird-in-Hand R1
a daughter MALINDA K., July 23

STOLTZFUS, Aquilla R. (Anna Mary Stoltzfus) Leola R1
a daughter KATIE MAE, July 24

STOLTZFUS, Benjamin S. (Christianne Diener)
Kinzers R1, a son IVAN D., July 18

STOLTZFUS, Daniel E. (Mary M. Stoltzfus) Christiana
R1, a son AARON S., July 2

STOLTZFUS, David L. (Lydia K. King) Gordonville R1
a son LEVI K., July 27

STOLTZFUS, Moses (Leah King) Ronks R1
a son STEPHEN, July 23

STOLTZFUS, Samuel S. Jr. (Rebecca F. Stoltzfoos)
Christiana R1, a daughter LEVINA S., July 28

STOLTZFUS, Stephen M. (Rebecca Kauffman)
Christiana R1, a daughter SARAH K., June 5

ZOOK, John K. (Lydia Stoltzfus) Soudersburg
a daughter ANNA, July 19

Juniata County, Pa.

PEACHEY, Isaac K. (Rachel Peachy) Mifflintown R1
a daughter SUSIE, July 16

PEACHEY, Levi K. (Mollie Yoder) Mifflintown R1
a daughter CASSIE, July 18

Mifflin County, Pa.

KANAGY, John (Mary Renno) Belleville
a daughter SUSIE, July 7

Somerset County, Pa.

FISHER, John L. (Sarah Yoder) Salisbury
a son JOHN JR., July 1

YODER, Floyd P. (Katie RennoL Salisbury
a son JOHN, July 15

Holmes and Wayne Counties, Ohio

BEACHY, Mr. and Mrs. John, Millersburg R5
a son

COBLENTZ, Mr. and Mrs. Roy A., Holmesville
twin sons, MAHLON ROBERT, MERLE REUBEN,
June 20

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HERSHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs. Dan A., Millersburg R4
a daughter, July 2
HOSTETLER, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel, Millersburg R1
a son
KEIM, Mr. and Mrs. Leander A., Mt. Hope
a daughter MARY ANN, July 1
KEIM, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond J., Wilmot
a son
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Albert, Holmesville R1
a daughter
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Ben D., Millersburg R4
a son
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel A., Barrs Mills
twin sons, LEON JAY, LARRY RAY, June 25
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan S., Millersburg
a son
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. John J., Fredericksburg R2
a son
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin M., Millersburg R5
a daughter
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Mervin, Millersburg R1
a daughter
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Sam, Millersburg R5
a son
RABER, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew, Millersburg R3
a daughter, July 2
SCHLABACH, Christian (Mary H. Weaver) Orrville R2
a son OWEN, July 13
SCHLABACH, Mr. and Mrs. Eli L., Mt. Hope
a son
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew A., Millersburg R5
a son
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Mose A., Millersburg R4
a daughter, July 1
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Paul I., Millersburg R3
a daughter
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Ray N., Millersburg R5
a daughter
WEAVER, Raymond E. (Esther H. Weaver) Holmesville R2, a daughter VERNA, July 19
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Abe A., Sugarcreek
a daughter
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel N., Millersburg
a son
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Henry B., Millersburg
a son
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Menno E., Berlin
a daughter

LaGrange County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, Ervin S. (Ida Mae Miller) Shipshewana R1, a son LE ROY, July 8
BONTRAGER, Joseph J. (Judith Jones) LaGrange R1
a son JOSEPH J. III, July 10
EASH, Jacob (Fannie Graber) Shipshewana
a daughter ROSANNA, July 5
EASH, Levi N. (Rosa Bontrager)
a daughter SARA FERN, July 2
FRY, Ben and (LeAnna Bontrager) Topeka R2
a son WILBUR B., July 10
HOCHSTEDLER, Abie (Mary Bontrager) Middlebury R1
a daughter SARA A., July 24
HOSTETLER, Vernon (Elizabeth Fry) Shipshewana
a son KENNETH LEE, July 18
MAST, John (Edna Schlabach) Topeka R1
a daughter LAVERTA KAY, July 6
MILLER, Alvin S. (Mary S. Schrock) Shipshewana R1
a son MARLIN RAY, July 24
MILLER, Reuben (Delila Wickey) Shipshewana R1
a daughter CLARA JOAN, July 25
SCHROCK, Melvin (Edna Miller) LaGrange R4
a daughter LU ELLA M., July 9
SLABACH, Ervin (Clara Yoder) Shipshewana R1
a son, July 10
STUTZMAN, Kenneth (Irma Miller) Middlebury R1
a son DEAN JAY, June 29
TROYER, Eli (Ruby Miller) Topeka R1
a daughter LEORA, June 29
WEAVER, Levi (Lizzie Yoder), twins, a son LAVERN RAY, a daughter LEVERTA KAY, July 1
WENGERD, Andrew (Lydia Mae Miller) LaGrange R1
a daughter CLARA A., July 7
YODER, Alvin (Miriam Gingerich) LaGrange R4
a daughter LEANNA, July 16
YODER, Levi (Sadie Mullet) Topeka R2
a daughter KATIE, June 30

Daviess County, Indiana

GRABER, Enos (Mary Wagler)
a daughter ELIZABETH, July 29
GRABER, Francis (Viola Knepp)
a daughter ROSEMARY, July 9
GRABER, Joe (Mary Margoret)
a daughter BARBARA, July 25
KNEPP, Ivan (Bertha Graber)
a daughter BRENDA ROSE, June 29
KNEPP, Sam Jr. (Naomi Knepp)
a son NATHAN DALE, July 22
STOLL, Verlin (Delores Knepp)
a son JERRY DALE, July 13
WEAVER, Levi (Mary Graber)
a daughter EVELYN, June 28

Arthur, Illinois

GINGERICH, John (Magie Miller)
a daughter DOROTHY, July 20
HERSCHBERGER, Obie (Lorene Bontrager)
a son CRISIE, July 16
MAST, Lyn (Dorothy Bontrager)
a son ALLEN EUGENE, July 17
STUTZMAN, John J. (Anna Schrock)
a daughter, July 13
YODER, Henry (Emma D. Miller) Tuscola
a son, June 30
YODER, John (Elmina Yoder)
a daughter

Johnson County, Iowa

BENDER, Bishop Glen (Anna Bontrager)
a son DWIGHT DAVID
MILLER, Alvin T. (Martha Miller)
a son BENEDICT, July 11
YODER, Tobe (Treva Gingerich)
a son, July 4

BIRTHS, continued

Buchanan County, Iowa

HERSHBERGER, John N. (Ida Gingerich) Independence
a son ROY, July 9
KURTZ, Harvey A. (Clara Miller) Hazleton
a son SAMUEL, July 24
MILLER, Noah (Mary Shetler) Independence
a son ROY, July
RABER, Abe C. (Katie Helmuth) Hazleton
a daughter MIRIAM, July 12
YODER, Wayne (Amanda Helmuth) Hazleton
a son DANIEL, June 29

Jamesport, Missouri

HERSHBERGER, Monroe (Ida Stutzman)
a son JOHN DAVID, July 22
MAST, Menno A. (Lucy Kauffman)
a son EDWARD, July 4
MILLER, Levi C. Jr. (Clara Keim)
a daughter MARTHA, June 25
ROPP, Tobie C. (Cora Miller)
a daughter MIRIAM, July 23
YODER, Vernon L. (Fannie Bontrager)
a daughter MARY, July 9
YUTZY, Jonas W. (Emma Graber)
a daughter MARTHA, July 16

Springfield, Ontario

BORNTREGER, Clemens (Sarah Miller)
a daughter LYDIA, July 15

BAPTISMS

Wayne County, Ohio

Jacob R. Troyer District, July 18

Paul, son of Wayne A. Yoder
Atlee, son of Eli R. Troyer
Aden, son of Jacob R. Troyer
Ida, daughter of Mrs. John E. Troyer
Ada Mae, daughter of Dan S. Yoder
Edna, daughter of Jonas J. Miller
Naomi, daughter of Ervin E. Yoder

SENIOR MEMBERS

Daviess County, Indiana

Name	Age
Bishop Amos Wittmer	88
Wife Mattie Wittmer	87
Simon Lengacher	85
Amos Graber	84
Sarah Wagler	84
Mary Graber	83
Jake Marner	82
David Wagler	81
Barbara Graber	81
Magdalena Eicher	81
Lydia Stoll	80
Eliza Wagler	80
Victor Lengacher	80
Elizabeth Wagler	80
Caroline Knepp	80
Amanda Stoll	80

MARRIAGES

Wayne County, Ohio

July 15 – Sara Ann daughter of Aden D. Mast and John son of Christ R. Yoder

Mt. Elgin District, Ontario

Eli, son of Moses and Barbara Shetler and Anna, daughter of Ed and Malinda Petersheim were married on May 25, 1971.

OBITUARIES

Beiler, Amos L., 91, of Paradise R1, Pa.

died at 10:15 a.m. Monday, July 19 at his home after a lengthy illness. He was born in Strasburg Twp., a son of the late John S. and Fannie (Lapp) Beiler. His wife, Sarah (Kauffman) Beiler died in 1968. His age was 91 years and 3 months.

Surviving are five daughters, Rachel, wife of Isaac Lantz, Gordonville R1; Anna, wife of Daniel K. King, and Sarah, wife of Abram K. King, both of Lancaster; and Mary and Ruth Beiler, both at home; two sons, John S., Paradise R1; and Abram K., Quarryville R3; 43 grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; and 9 step-great-grandchildren. He was the last of his immediate family.

Funeral services were held July 21, at the John S. Beiler Residence by Samuel K. Fisher and Amos S. Beiler; Deacon Levi P. Kauffman read hymn, page 437, "Welt Heinweg ich bin dein Mude." At the graveyard hymn, page 375, "Christus der ist mein Leben" was read by Aaron M. Beiler; Absheid by John M. Beiler; Burial in the Beiler Cemetery.

John B. Hershberger, 24, of Oxford R1, Penna.

was killed in an automobile-buggy accident, July 14. He was born in Colerain Twp., the son of Jacob and Mary (Beiler) Hershberger, Kirkwood R1, Pa.

He is survived by his widow, Sarah, daughter of Henry Kings of Lebanon Co., Pa., his parents and the following brothers and sisters, Jonathan, Christian, William, Jacob Jr., Moses, Benjamin, Samuel, Enos, Elizabrth, and Annie, all of Kirkwood R1, and Fannie, wife of Jonas Lapp, Paradise R1.

Funeral services were held at the home of his parents by David L. Riehl; hymn by Samuel Stoltzfus. Services at the Daniel R. Beiler home were held by Elam B. Stoltzfoos and Lloyd Beiler; hymn by Gideon King. At the graveyard a hymn was read by Jacob B. Zook; Absheid by Joseph F. Beiler; Burial was in Fishers Cemetery, Bartville.

Hostetler, Mrs. Joe (Barbara), 74, Arthur, Ill.

died Tuesday, June 29, after lingering about 2 years with cancer. She was born May 2, 1897 near Chesterville, a daughter of Abe and Mary (Miller) Kauffman, was married March 23, 1930 to Joe Hochstetler, died at the age of 74 yrs., 17 mo. and 27 days. She is survived by her husband, seven sons, one step-son and 2 step-daughters. One son preceded her in death.

Keim, Mrs. Mattie, 61, of Millersburg R5, Ohio died early Monday morning, July 26 at her home following a long illness. She was a life-long resident of Holmes County and was the daughter of the late Levi and Mattie (Mast) Schlabach.

She is survived by her husband, Atlee J. Keim; 2 sons, Leander of the home and Abe of Millersburg R5: 2 brothers, Andrew Schlabach of Nappanee, Ind., and Levi of Beach City; 6 sisters, Mrs. John Helmuth and Mrs. Elmer Miller, both of Dundee R1, Mrs. Andrew Wengerd of Springsboro, Pa., Mrs. Jacob E. J. Miller of Fredericksburg R2, Mrs. Amos B. Yoder of Millersburg R5 and Mrs. Jonas A. Keim of Dundee R1; a step-brother, Atlee J. Weaver of Wilmot; and five grandchildren. Burial was in the Troyer Cemetery.

Lehman, Mattie, 92, of Shipshewana R1, Indiana died Thursday, July 1, at 4 p.m. at her home. She had been in poor health several years. She was born in Newton County December 2, 1878, the daughter of Abraham and Sarah (Eash) Troyer. She was married in LaGrange County February 17, 1898, to Amos A. Yoder, who preceded her in death in 1923. She later was married in LaGrange County November 1, 1938, Joseph Lehman, who preceded her in death in 1962.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Menno (Ida) Miller of LaGrange, and Mrs. David A. (Sarah) Nissley and Mrs. Ervin A. (Lizzie) Miller, both of Topeka; five sons, Andrew A. Yoder of LaGrange R4, Ezra A. Yoder of Shipshewana R1, Abraham A. Yoder of R1 Topeka, Milton A. Yoder of Ligonier and Amos A. Yoder of Kenton R5, Ohio; 48 grandchildren; 155 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held by Bishop David J. Bontrager. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery near Shipshewana.

Miller, Mrs. Dan D.C. (Emma), 87, Navarre, Ohio died at Doctors Hospital in Massilon Thursday morning, July 8, where she had been a patient for 3 days. She is survived by six sons, Simon D. of Navarre R3; John D. of Apple Creek R1; Neal D. of Atlantic, Pa.; Dan D.C. Miller of Sugarcreek R2; Henry D.C. of Orleans, Ind. and Christ D.C. of Millersburg R5; three daughters, Mrs. Menno J. Byler of Middlefield; Mrs. John P. Hershberger of Winesburg and Mrs. Clarence A. Yoder of Goshen, Ind.; and 64 grandchildren and 87 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the home of a son, Simon D., of Navarre R3, where she had been making her home. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery.

Miller, Mrs. Mike A. (Susan), 73, Sugarcreek, Ohio died Monday morning in her home after a long illness. She was a daughter of the late Robert S. and Emma (Weaver) Yoder.

Surviving in addition to her husband are a son, Dan M. of the home; three daughters, Mrs. Glen (Ella) Miller of Florida and Emma and Lovina Miller of the home; four brothers, William R., Noah R. and Manassas Yoder of R2, Sugarcreek and Joe R. Yoder or R1, Sugarcreek; four sisters, Mrs. Noah (Lovina) Coblentz and Mary Ann and Emma R. Yoder of R2 Sugar Creek, and Mrs. Enos M. Yoder of R2, New Philadelphia, and eight grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son and a daughter.

Funeral services were held by Jonas Bontrager; burial was in Yoder Cemetery.

Schlabach, Mrs. Martha J., 76, Millersburg R3, Ohio died early Monday morning, July 19, in Pomerene Memorial Hospital, of a heart attack after a long illness. She was born in Holmes County to the late Joseph J. and Elizabeth (Troyer) Stutzman. Her husbans, Alvin J. Schlabach, died in 1960.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Henry A. (Celesta) Schlabach of Millersburg R3; two sisters, Mrs. Jonas D. Miller of Middlebury, Ind. and Mrs. Noah B. Miller of Sugarcreek; two brothers, Harry J. Stutzman of Berlin and Joseph J. Stutzman of Blountstown, Fla.; two half sisters, Mrs. Joe Smucker of Millersburg R3 and Katie Stutzman of Sugarcreek and nine grandchildren. Preceding her in death were two sisters, a brother and a half brother.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Melvin A. Raber. Burial was in the Rudy Yoder Cemetery.

Stauffer, Joseph, 72, of Centreville, Michigan died June 27. He was born in Adams Co., Ind., September 4, 1898, the son of Christian and Mary (Eicher) Stauffer. He was married August 16, 1923 to Lizzie Bontrager who survives, also surviving are 4 sons, Melvin, Clarence, Henry and Harley; 4 brothers, four sisters, 20 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Troyer, Albert B., 84, of Millersburg R5, Ohio died Monday evening, July 12, at his residence following a short illness. He was born July 24, 1886, in Holmes County to Ben B. and Fannie (Raber) Troyer.

Surviving are two brothers, John Troyer of Los Angeles, Calif., and Elmer Troyer of Nappanee, Ind.; four sisters, Mrs. David Yoder of Wooster R4, and Mrs. Andy Coblentz of Mullersburg Star Rt., and Mrs. Aaron Miller of Millersburg R5. A brother and four sisters died previously.

Funeral services were held at the Lester Kauffman residence by John Fry. Burial was in the Miller Cem.

Troyer, Anna, infant daughter of Henry Troyer

Services were held Monday, July 5, in the residence for Anna Troyer born Saturday to Henry A. and Lizzie Troyer of R1, Baltic (Farmerstown). The infant dies Sunday in Pomerene Hospital at Millersburg. Bishop Eli E. Hershberger officiated and burial was in Miller Cemetery at Farmerstown.

Surviving in addition to her parents are 2 sisters and two brothers, Edna, Elsie, David and Abe of the home, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Abe A. Troyer of R3, Fresno, and Mr. and Mrs. Adam M. Miller of R1, Dundee.

OHIO BARN FIRE

On Thursday night at 11:30 the barn of Christ J. Wengerd, Millersburg R5, Ohio burned down with 9 horses. They don't know for sure what caused it.

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Lancaster Co., Pa. by Levi L. Stoltzfus

The Bareville area had 5.4 inches of rain in July. Market Report: Fat Steers, $30.00 to 35.25 Cwt.; Stockers and Feeders, 29.00 to 43.00 Cwt.; Vealers, 50.00 Cwt.; Fat Hogs, from 21.00 to 23.50 Cwt.; Feeder Pigs, 40 lb., 14.00; Fresh Canadian Cows at New Holland sold from 500.00 to 725.00; Egg Prices: Large, 38½¢ a doz.; Potatoes on the farm, 3.00 Cwt.; Hay, 30.00 to 46.00 Ton; Straw, 35.00 to 37.00 Ton; Corn, 1.70 Bu. or 48.00 Ton; Wheat, 1.60 bu.; Barley, 1.10 bu.; Oats, .85 bu.

by Elam S. Beiler

Early corn tasseled the 15th, most of the corn is in full tassel now, early corn is over 10 ft. tall. Some tobacco has been topped. Lots of nice second cutting hay went in this month. Wheat was mostly thrashed from the 6th until the 16th, excellent straw yield, some up to 200 bales per acre. Grain was also good though rather uneven, from 36 to 70 bushels per acre, mostly in the 40s.

by Ammon F. Fisher

Ideal July weather, total rainfall was 5 inches. Just enough moisture in the ground to put crops and weeds in a fast race. Nights were just cool enough to make sleeping a great pleasure. The last 6 days of July were a little more cloudy, sticky and some sunshine, and very good rains.

Juniata County, Pa. by David Y. Renno

The weather in Juniata County during July was very dry until the 19th, then it was wet until the last it was very muddy. Total rainfall for the month was almost 7½ inches here, some sections more and some less. Temperature was about normal, had only a few real hot nights. Corn looks very good now for the first time this season. Its now pushing ears and shows no signs of blight and the Japanese beetles which were very thick earlier are now gone. Oats is short and yields about 50 bu. an acre. The ground has been too soft to do anything with it the last week, most of it is on shock.

Snyder County, Pa. by Sam M. Troyer

We had over 7 inches of rain this month, some every week. Things are growing like weeds, as the saying goes. Much of the oats is still in the field but the wheat is mostly harvested. Fruit looks good. We cannot be thankful enough for all this.

Mifflin County, Pa. by Catherine Swarey

July was a pleasant month with many nice warm sunny days, very pleasant cool nights, coolest was 48 degrees, also many nice showers , 5.6 in. of rain. Corn looks good, second cutting alfalfa has been put away. Wheat is thrashed, a good crop yielding from 30 th 60 bu. per acre. Oats is cut but not thrashed yet.

Somerset County, Pa. by Abe S. Kinsinger

Weather is a little on the wet side with about 7½ inches rain for July. Second crop hay is looking good. Wheat is mostly thrashed and oats about ready to cut and looks to be a good crop. Crops are all good which is a lot to be thankful for. Hog prices have gone back up to $23.00 again.

St. Mary's County, Mr. by Amos R. Stoltzfus

July started in very warm and dry. Had ½ in. rain the 6th and cleraer atmosphere a few days. Then the 2nd week it was back to 95 and up. The 3rd week was very nice again. The 19th we had another ½ in. rain. Although we had a little over 2 inches, rain fell nicely the last few days. Corn blight is starting in this area.

Holmes County, Ohio by David E. Miller

We are having nice growing weather at the present time. We had very dry weather for awhile and some of the corn got spotty on account of it. But lately we had plenty of rain and corn has a very good color and is mostly in tassels. Second cutting hay is looking good. Farmers are thrashing wheat and speltz. Oats look like a good crop. We thrashed a few loads of oats and one load made 91 bushels. We had an all day rain on Saturday, July 24. Strawberries were a good crop. Apples look like a good crop. We have some peaches but not like some years.

Wayne County, Ohio by Ray J. Yoder

Threshing is in full swing. Corn is tasseling out and looking good at present. Second crop hay is thin and short. June was dry and July started in dry. Lawns were brown and corn was wilting and then the rains came. Had 2 in. on July 11 and weekly rains ever since. Lawns are green again and corn is mostly recovered. Sweet corn is on the menu.

LaGrange County, Indiana by Ervin D. Hochstetler

The average temperature in July was cooler than in June. We had about 2.3 inches of rain. Thrashing is done. Wheat averaged 25 to 39 bushels per acre. One field made 70 which was exceptional for this year. Oats made 35 to 40 bushels. Corn that was planted thick is short. But a lot of corn looks good for as little rain as we had. No blight around here. Some plowing is being done for wheat.

Daviess County, Indiana by Lester Marner

Very pleasant with adequate moisture, nice and cool. The wheat is threshed, oats was especially good.

Arthur, Illinois by Menno A. Diener

The first 5 days were not nearly as warm as the last of June. By July 5 we had 4 inches of rain. The temperature at sunup was 66–79. In all we had 8 3/4 inches rain. The last half was real cool. The morning of the 30th the temperature was 48. Very little thrashing done in July. Many oats fields had a lot of weeds in them before they were cut and now where there is clover, it is half as high as the shocks.

Johnson County, Iowa by Eli S. Bontrager

Nice cool weather, temperature at 50 the morning of the 29th. Had rains over the last week end. Corn looks extra good. Threshing is well under way. Oats in general was good. There is hardly any wheat raised here.

Jamesport, Missouri by Amos W. Yoder

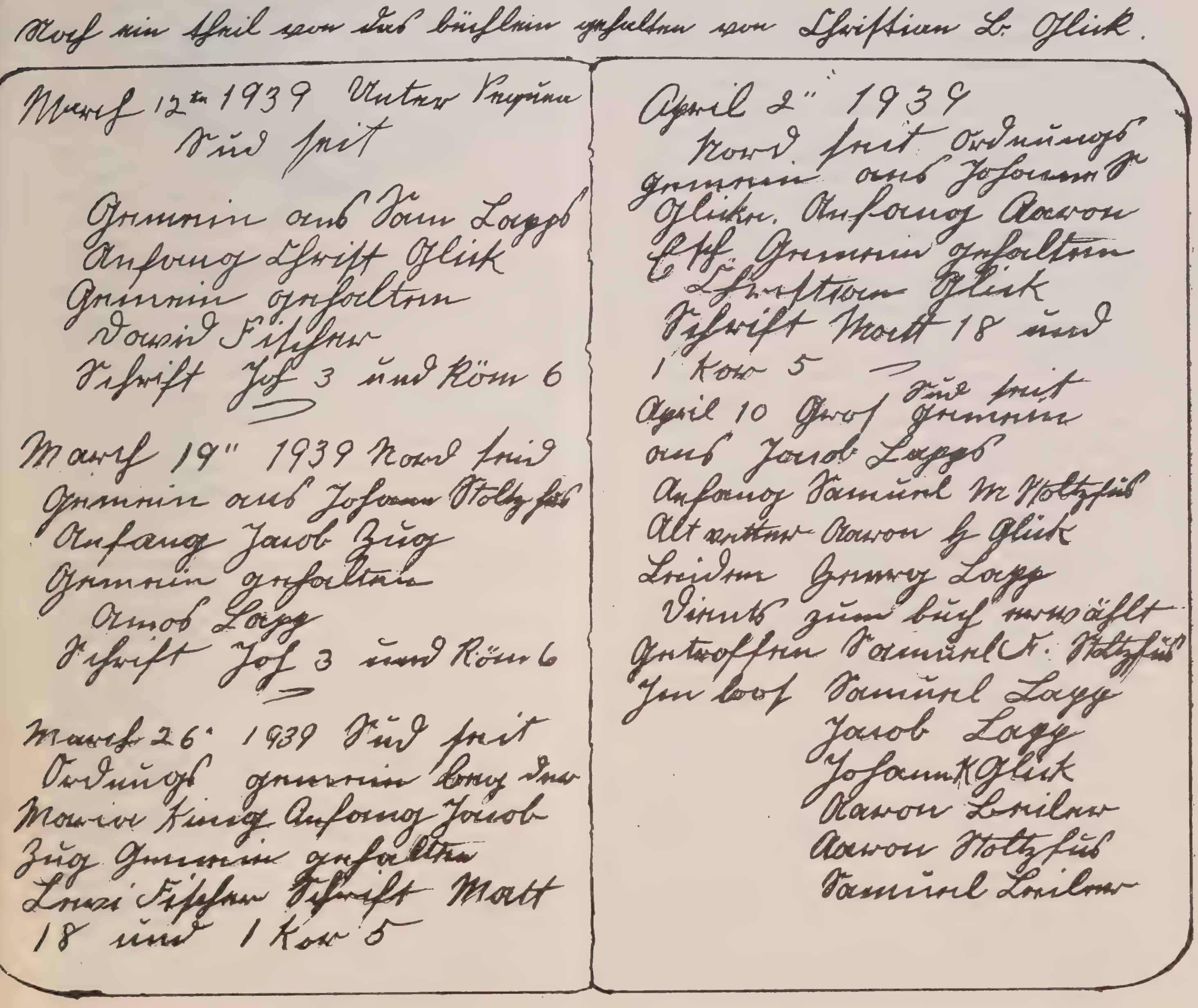
Rainfall was quite spotty throughout June and July, a total of 3 inches fell in June and 5 inches in July. Oats yielded about 50 bu. per acre average, which is better than usual. Corn looks real good, some early planted fields were in tassels and growing ears by July 4th. Hay and pasture is short from lack of moisture. We pay from $3.00 to 3.75 per bu. for peaches, which seem to be plentiful

Aylmer, Ontario by LeRoy Eicher

Still dry – 2.6 inches of rain for July. Oats is cut and ready to thresh.

INDIANA MAN INJURED IN FALL

Robert W. Miller, 65, of Goshen, Indiana fell from a hay loft door on July 3 and sustained severe bruises and a skull fracture. He is still very weak but is slowly improving. His wife is the former Ida Whetstone. Their address is R1 Fish Lake Road, Goshen, Indiana. He was in the hospital over three weeks but is at home now.



Noch ein Theil von das büchlein gehalten von Christian L. Glick.

March 12th 1939 Unter Pequea
Süd seit
Gemein aus Sam Lapps
Anfang Christ Glick
Gemein gehalten
David Fischer
Schrift Joh 3 und Röm 6

March 19" 1939 Nord seit
Gemein aus Johann Stoltzfus
Anfang Jacob Zug
Gemein gehalten
Amos Lapp
Schrift Joh 3 und Röm 6

March 26" 1939 Süd seit
Ordnungs gemein bey der
Maria King Anfang Jacob
Zug Gemein gehalten
Levi Fischer Schrift Matt
18 und 1 Kor 5

April 2" 1939
Nord seit Ordnungs
gemein aus Johannes
Glicke. Anfang Aaron
Esh. Gemein gehalten
Christian Glick
Schrift Matt 18 und
1 Kor 5

April 10 Groß Süd seit Gemein
aus Jacob Lapps
Anfang Samuel M Stoltzfus
Alt ältester Aaron G Glick
Leiden Georg Lapp
Diener zum buch erwählt
Getroffen Samuel K. Stoltzfus
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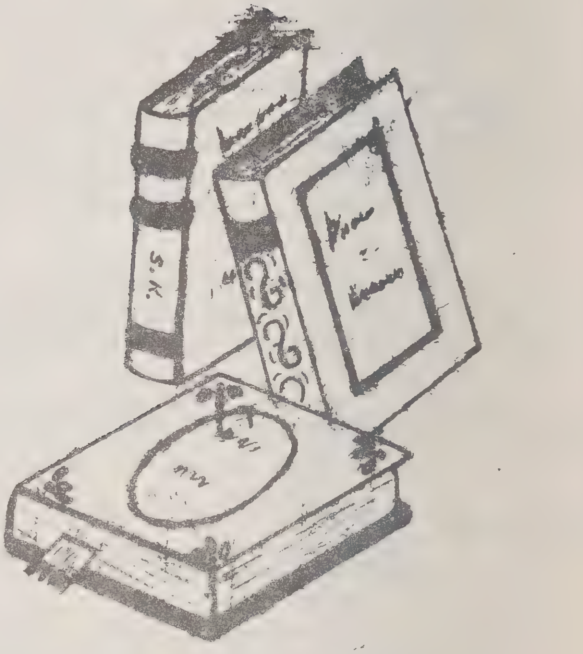
Unſere Geiſtliche Bücher



Das ſechſte Lied.

Ein ſchönes neues geiſtliches Lied, aus einer Hiſtorie gezogen von denen dreyen Chriſten, wo aus Theſſalonich in die Pfaltz gekommen ſind. Dieſes Lied iſt gemacht worden Anno Domini 1540,

Und geht im Ton: „Es gieng ein Fräulein mit dem Krug,“

(1)

O Herr thu auf die Leſzen mein, Daß ich fein klar mög ſingen, Ein wahrhafte Hiſtorie fein, Die ich doch kurz thät finden.

2. Drey Chriſten wurden ausgeſandt Von Theſſalonich here, Die kommen ſind in Ungarnland In Ober-Pfaltz gar ſäre.

3. Von der Gemein wurden ſie g'ſandt Dann ſie hatten vernommen, Daß in Ungern und Teutſchenland Ihr Glaubens-G'noſſen wohnen.

4. Sie ſind gezogen über das Meer, Ihr Leben thäten ſie wagen, Die Liebe hat ſie drungen ferr, Der Herr thät ſie bewahren.

5. Sie forſchten fleißig nach dem Volk Da ſie in Ungeren kamen, Sie wurden bald von einem Pfaff Zu den Huteriſchen geführet.

6. Da haben ſie durch den Latein, Sie wohl thun unterſuchen, Von ihrem Leben und Wandel ſchon, Und auch von ihrem Glauben.

7. Da ſie nun all Artickel wohl, Fein haben unterſuchet, Da haben ſie ſich ungeleich In drey Articklel funden.

8. Die will ich hierauf zeigen an Welche es ſind geweſen, Iſt die Meidung und Gemeinſchaft ſchon, Und wie ſie da thun leben.

9. Den dritten ich auch thu zeigen an, Daß ſie nichts wieder geben, Denen die von ihnen thun gan, Und aus der G'meinſchaft fallen:

10. Dann die drey Männer haben bekennt, Daß ihre Gemeinſchaft beſtande Mehr in Herrſchaft und in Knechtſchaft, Dann ein gerechte G'meine.

11. Da ſind ſie in großer Traurigkeit, Mit weinenden Augen g'ſcheiden, Und war ihnen auch gar herzlichleid ,Daß ſie ſo weit ſeind g'reiſet.

12. Und haben doch nichts ausgericht, Darum ſie her ſind kommen, Und funden ihres Glaubens nicht, Wie ſie hatten vernommen.

13. Sie wurden von gemeldtem Pfaff Zur Schweitzer Gemein geführet, Ja die doch waren arm und ſchlecht Dem Bethlehem zu vergleichen.

14. Doch haben ſie am ſelben Orth, Ihre liebe Brüder funden, Daß ſie erfüllt mit großer Freud, Zu beyden Seiten großes Wunder.

15. Gleich wie die Weiſen aus Morgenland, Die zu Herodes kamen, Suchten Chriſtum zu Jeruſalem, Den ſie da nicht han funden.

16. Sonder zogen nach Bethlehem, In ein verachtes Städtlein, Darin ſie ihn gar bald funden, In einer Kripſen ſchlechte.

17. So haben die drey Chriſten auch, Ihre liebe Brüder funden, Ein anderen haben ſie bekennt, Zur ſelben Zeit und Stunden.

18. Dann ſie haben ſich unterſucht, Und alles einig funden, In allen Artickelen ihres Glaubens, Zur ſelben Zeit und Stunden.

19. Nun möcht ich euch auch zeigen an, Von der Schweitzer Gemeine, Wie daß etlich von ihnen ſind, Neun Jahr gefängen geweſen.

20. Um die Zeugniß der Wahrheit klar, In dem Schloß zu Paſſaue, Und haben glitten Schmach und Schand, Bey der Wahrheit beſtanden.

21. Nun will ich euch auch zeigen an, Wie ſie da loß ſind worden, Durch einen Herren von Janitzreich, Der für ſie Bürg iſt worden.

22. Jetzunder will ich melden fort, Von denen dreyen Chriſten, Was ſich noch zugetragen hat, Ehe ſie thäten fort reiſſen.

23. Sie thäten das Brod brechen fein, Mit denen Brüdern einig, Und haben ihnen es bekennt, Für die recht Gottes G'meine.

24. Und thäten es auch zeigen an: Daß zu Teſſalonich wäre, Die G'mein Gottes feſt blieben ſtahn, Von der Zeit der Apoſtlen here,

25. Im Glauben unverändert ſteif, Und haben auch die Briefen, Die Paulus ſelbſt mit ſeiner Hand, An die G'mein hat geſchrieben.

26. Nach dieſem allem ſind ſie fein, In gutem Frieden geſchieden, Mit Weinen in der Liebe rein, Und mit dem Kuß des Friedens.

27. Von dieſen dreyen Brüdern fein, War einer ein Kleider-Macher, Hat zur Zeugniß die Hand-Scheer ſein, Der Gemein zu Paſſau glaſſen.

28. Dieſe Geſchicht war nicht gering, ſondern bekannt den Gemeinen, Der Ober-Pfaltz und Mähren auch, Da ſind ſie durch gereiſet.

29. Die Männer die darbey ſind geweßt, Und dieſes ſelbſt geſehen, Das iſt Hans Fuhrman und Hans Brätt, Die lang ſind g'ſangen g'weſen,

30. Mit noch zwölf anderen Perſonen, Bey ihnen wie oben iſt gemelte, Der Herr thät ſie erlöſen fein, Zuletzt aus dem Elen.de.

31. Die Ding thät uns erzählen fein, Ja Lienhardt Kur der alte, Der das alles hat erlebet fein, Und gute Zeugniß hatte.

32. Hierbey thu ich auch zeigen an, Daß die Taufs-Geſinnt auch waren Alle beſtanden in Einigkeit, Die unzerſpalten waren.

33. Die Aelteſten thäten ihnen Recht, Nach der Lehr der Apoſteln, Mit Tauf, Nachtmahl und Vorbietung Die rechte Ordnung führen.

34. Hierbey will ichs kurz bleiben lahn, Und Gott befohlen haben, Betracht es wohl o Bruder mein, Was wir für Zeugniß haben.

35. Verlaß dich aber nicht darauf, Daß du empfangen habeſt, Bewahr es wohl, daß nicht die Kron Dir noch genommen werde:

36. Niemand wird die Kron vor der Zeit, Wer die Kron will gewinnen, Der ſtreit nur redlich allezeit Mit allen Frommen, Amen.

ENDE.

THE LAST HYMN OF THE AUSBUND

While this is the last hymn in the AUSBUND and probably one of the least used as we have never heard of it being sung by anyone. It is assigned to the No. 1 melody of the book, the same as 15 other hymns listed in the melody register. Its original tune was gotten from a Swiss folksong, "Es Gieng Ein Fraulein Mit Dem Krug," the same as two other hymns of the AUSBUND, namely, "Zu Singen Will Ich Heben An," and, "Es Waren Auch Zween Bruder Gut." This tells us that this last hymn as an associate with the last two mentioned here--that they were written at about the same time and likely at the same place or area in general. The three hymns carry a similarity in Martyr structure.

While this hymn has passed the time largely unknown or unnoticed by many hymn singers it has gained the attention of some readers and quite a few ministers because of its deep historical value.

Although this hymn was written in 1540 it was not incorporated to the AUSBUND until 1785. It was added to the AUSBUND as an appendant in a company of five other hymns, although the other five were included in 1767.[1] The 1785 edition was printed by Leibert and Billmeyer of Germantown, sucessors of Christipher Sauer who was one of the first German printers of America. By this we are led to believe that this last hymn was introduced to the AUSBUND by early Franconia and Lancaster Mennonites. The Amish were comparably few at that time that lived in America, yet they nay have had a hand in it.

From the Robert Friedman studies we gather that this hymn was first printed in 1695 in a sixteen page booklet but without the above title. In some of the 17th century Ausbunds this small hymn pamphlet is attached to, or bound to with a separate title.

From the Rudolf Wolkan studies we collect that this hymn first appeared in a small booklet, "Kleines Handbuchlein darinnen Morgen und Aben Gebete wie auch zur Tauf und Communion und verschiedene Gebete enthalten sind. Als anhang merhere Martyr und andere Lieder. 1867." This booklet contains eighteen other hymns as follows:[2] 1. "Es ist ein Wunderschone Gab," 2. "In Gottes Namen will ich anfahn," 3. "Der bitter Tod bin ich Genannt," 4. "Ein Schon Geistlich Lied von Hans Haslibacher," 5. "Gnad Friedendreichen Segen." 6. "Herr Gott Vater ins Himmelsthron," 7. "Ist Jemand Guter Dingen," 8. "Versuchet Euch Doch Selbst," 9. "Es ist Schwer ein Christ zu sein," 10. "Demuth ist die Schonste Tugend," 11. "In dem die Lieve Gar," 12. "Bedenke Menches Ende," 13. "Wohldem der Stets ans ende Denket," 14. "Mein Hertz sei Zufrieden," 15. 'Auch wie Kurtz ist unser Leben," 16. "Denket doch ihr Menchen Kinder," 17. "Grosser Gott wir Loben Dich," 18. "Lebt Friedsam Sprach Christus der Herr." It is of little wonder that Wolkan adds that this booklet is in a way confusing, an another way it reveals Anabaptist History at its deepest, that it contains hymns that belong to the 16th century, yet has fragments of the 19th century, including some that stem from Catholicism. This is clear to us, just to glance at the hymns numbers 2, 3, 4, 6, are Martyr Hymns and numbers 5, 19, 12, 13, 14, and 18 are of later origin. Number 18 by Leanhart Klock, number 12 by a Deaconess, Solome Liscov, perhaps a Luthern, we are led to believe that many of our present day hymns, especially of the UNPARTHEYISCHES[3] GESANGBUCH and LIEDER SAMMLUNG were taken from numerous small booklets like this one. For some of us it may be hard to accept the fact that many of the authors of the hymns in the above named books were not Anabpatists nor Mennonites, but of other reformed faith of different countries, some of noble rank and even a few Catholic versions were selected by our early hymn collectors, and accepted by them to be spiritually sound, which is proven so by test of time. Harder yet, or even a bit shocking to us is to learn that the same is true about the AUDBUND although in a milder degree.

Now that we have had an interview with the origin of this hymn let us take a look at its contents. Here we have a picture of very early Church History at its deepest. The author calls unto the Lord to open his lips, that he may clearly sing, a true history, that he has recently found. Three Christians were sent by the Thessalonish Church to Hungary. At this point let us look at the state of both churches, those of Hungary and those of Thessalonica, from an account of Holy Baptism in the Sixteenth Century, reprinted in the MARTYRS MIRROR taken from various writers. The Thessalonians were ruled by the Turks, by whom they must have been tolerated to some extent. From a note it is shown that in Thessalonica alone the Christians have more than thirty churches, which are declared to have remained unchanged in faith from the time of Christ and to agree in faith and practice with the Anabaptist Churches in Switzerland. Jacob Mehring goes on to say that Christians in Thessalonica were brethren who agreed with the Mennist in religion, that administered baptism only on Easter on which account many died without baptism. This indicates that they did not baptize infants, rather waited a whole year, because they deemed it necessary first to instruct a person for a long time, or almost a year. From the same account we find that (from Jacob Mehring's history of baptism 1500 – 1600) at this time there arose, principally in Germany, a most severe persecution against the old Waldenses through violent controversy of the clergy. The Waldenses gained far more baptists than there had ever before in any country been seen. Even before this time some of the Waldenses had joined the Hussites. (see page 94 of the 1970 volume of THE DIARY) This merger originated a mixed confession of faith and many of these were received later by the Lutherans, Zwinglians, and Calvinists. However, remnants of the Orthodox Waldenses were spread to many corners of Eastern Europe especially to the hillsides of the Ober Pfaltz Mountains and adjacent portions of Bohemia, Moravia, and Austria. From this kindled fire sprang the great Anabaptist movement in the next century. From the same account we can state the following: In the year 1540 or a little before, certain persons were brought captive by the Turks from Moravia to Thessalonica sold as slaves, which slaves became acquainted with the Thessalonian Christians. Observing their life and conversation they said to these Thessalonians that in Moravia there lived people who were like them in life and conversation and were called Anabaptists, which kindled in the Thessalonians a zeal to examine the truth of the matter, they sent three of their brethren to Moravia in Germany.

Now as we turn back to our hymn we see in verse three that these accounts correspond well, and it can be supposed they were both taken from the same account. The fourth verse relates how they sailed the sea notwithstanding danger to life, but their mission was of love, protected by the Lord. That they chose a route by sea and land is now clear. Robert Friedman suggests from a report of Dr. De wind (Jan. 1954 letter) that the brethren did not use the land route to Budepest which would have been roughly 625 miles to their destination, but due to dangerous wars on the Turkish Border, and undisciplined soldiery, they went by galley to Venice, thence on to Vienna and beyond, a distance of over fifteen hundred miles. Fifth verse: As they began to seek these folks, when they came to Hungary, they were directed by a priest to the Hutterite colony.[5] They conversed in Latin to inquire of their walk and life, likewise of their faith. Verse Seven: As they began to draw up their articles, which they searched well, they found here a difference in three articles. Verse Eight: which were Meidung (Shunning) Communication. Verse Nine: the third one, he makes clear, is thay they will not receive again, an excommunicated member. Verse Ten: The three men confessed that their church stood more on domination and bondage than on a true decipled body. Verse Eleven: Then in great distress, with tear in eye, they parted with grieved heart of their long and fruitless journey. Verse Thirteen: At return to the priest again, were now led to the Swiss Brethren. These were poor and plain, like those of Bethlehem. Verse Fourteen: Here they found their fellow believers, with great joy they accepted one another with wonder. Verse Fifteen: Like the Wisemen of the east came to Herod seeking Jesus by Jerusalem Verse Sixteen: Turned to Bethlehem in a despised village He was found in a manger. Verse Eighteen: Again they began to inquire and found to be likeminded in every article of faith. Verse Nineteen: Here he wants to show us of the Swiss Brethren that a few of them were bound in prison for nine years, for the cause of the truth of their faith, in the cells of Passau. Verse Twenty One: He also wants to point out how they were freed again. They were released by a certain lord of Jamits who traveled thirty leagues to release the prisoners by becoming bondsmen for them. He had in his town of Jamits a large society of these people living under his protection.[6] Verses Twenty Two and Twenty Three tell how the three Christians were taken in Communion with the Swiss Brethren, giving the state of their own church at home (see following articles of faith). Verse Twenty Six: After this they parted with cries of joy, and with the kiss of love. Verse Twenty Seven: One of the brethren being a tailer by trade presented a shears to the Swiss Church as a token. Verse Twenty Eight: Here Hans Passcheirs von Mesbusch A. D. 1630 (Martyrs Mirror) says this story is not known only to me, but is generally known not only in Moravia, but in the Upper Palatinate as well.[7] The whole seems to stem from Leanard Knar Sr. (see verse 31) who was an Anabaptist elder (bishop) even before the division of the Hutterites and the Swiss Brethren, (which must have occured nearly at the beginning of Anabaptism, or around 1528). This Elder Leanard Knar administered to them the Lords Supper and intercessions according to the doctrine of the apostles. Leanard Knar was related to John Peck (Hans Brett) who later related all that he had discussed with the brethren from Thesalonica. From a book of Niles, tract of the Waldenses (1608) the writer goes on––I the undersigned testify that in Moravia there lived with me for the space of three years a man of our brethren about one hundred years old named Leanard Knar, who related to me that in his time when he was a servant in the commonhouse of the common church at Popitz, under the steward Hans Fuhrman, three brethren of the church of Thessalonica were sent to Germany to inquire about their fellow believers, who as they had learned from the prisoners, as stated above, were living in Moravia. They first came to

Nickelsburg, on the frontier of Hungary etc. About the prisoners, Hans Fuhrman and Hans Bratt, verse 29, we have mentioned before according to MARTYRS MIRROR, lay in prison with twelve others, for nine years. Here we should add a statement of Robert Friedman made in his booklet, "Christian Sectarians in Thessalonica and their Relations to the Anabaptists," preserved in the Goshen College Library–– In view of the reference to the Passau prison experience of Hans Beck (Hans Bratt), I would be inclined to surmise some connections with the former Philipite Brethren of Moravia, the very beginners of the AUSBUND collections

The last verse of this hymn is an admonishment to all Christians with caution that no one will win a crown of time, but one who seeks to win a crown, will need to combat continually, with the pious godly amen.

In conclusion we will remember that this hymn is a drama of a true story of things that have actually happened in the sixteenth century. Like all other hymns it is not free of mistakes. Robert Friedman dedicates more serious mistakes to this hymn than it deserves, considering that it is a composition of a very rare but genuine Anabaptist story, transformed to stanza over a period of one and one half centuries after it happened. Without it we would be left in the dark with some most interesting points. Together with this and the story in MARTYRS MIRROR can a full picture be given. Most history readers will agree that through hymns and poems we can collect some points of invaluable credit that other historians do not touch at all. By this we are well aware that a poet or hymn writer will adhere more to the spirit than on self-knowledge to interpret his visions by which views can be revealed things unknown to man. Therefore human beings may be quick to assign some borderline points to errors.

How often have we heard our grandfathers speak of the church that is planted on the Rock? Time and again we heard church leaders proclaim this church to be set upon the doctrines of the apostles, where Jesus Christ is the cornerstone. Perhaps we may never be able to trace an unbroken lineage in groups, sects, or multitudes back to the times of our Lord, literally (buchstablich) only in true Spirit can we sense a complete connection to the first church at Jerusalem, lest we are an offshoot of a certain party, but members of a genuine Christian church.

In terms of Church History this hymn reveals to us another stepping stone from one age unto another, it presents another link to a golden chain of unbroken lineage.

Joseph F. Beiler

EINE KONFESSION ODER GLAUBENSBEKENNTNIS DER TAUFGESINNTEN IN GRIECHENLAND, WELCHE DIE DREI CHRISTEN VON THESSALONICH, DIE NACH DEUTSCHLAND GEKOMMEN SIND UND ALLDA BEKANNT HABEN DEN GRUND IHRES GLAUBENS WIE FOLGT, LEHRTEN:

I

Von Gott dem vater glauben und bekennen wir, dass Er sei der ewige Vater von aller Ewigkeit her; und von Seinem Sohn glauben und bekennen wir nach aller Propheten und Apostel Schriften zu sein empfangen durch das Wort des Vaters und von Maria zur Welt geboren. Wir verstehen, weil Maria von der Erde war, ist sie leider zur Erde worden, und bekennen hiermit Johannes, dass das Wort sei Fleisch geworden. Dieweil Sein Leib ist empfangen durch das Wort des Vaters, so ist er nicht wie andere Sünder zur Erde gekehrt, sondern ist aus der Erde auferstanden und gen Himmel gefahren, von dannen Er gekommen ist, und hat die Verwesung seinen Fleisches nich gesehen.

II

Von der Taufe glauben und bekennen wir, eine Taufe auf den Glauben und keine Kindertaufe, und verstehen, dass ein Täufling mit seinen Füssen muss im Wasser stehen, gleich wie Christus im Jordan; also wird er getauft im Namen des Vaters und des Sohnes und des Heiligen Geistes.

III

Vom Nachtmahl des Herrn glauben und bekennen wir ein Nachtmal des Herrn, gehalten zu werden mit gemeinem Brot und Wein zum Gedachtnis des bitteren Leidens und Sterbens Jesu Christi, unseres Herrn.

IV

Vom Fusswaschen glauben und bekennen wir eine Fusswaschung bei uns gebraucht zu werden für eine Ordung das Herrn.

V

Vom Ehestand glauben und bekennen wir einen Ehestand von zwei gläubigen Personen und keine auswendige Trauung bei Strafe des Bannes; und der gestrafte Mensch mag nimmermahr zur Gemeinde kommen, es sei denn dass er das auswendiges mitbringe oder verlasse.

VI

Vom Bann glauben und bekennen wir gehalten zu werden im Fall, so es sich begibt (oder gebuhrt), dass jemand sich verläuft in Katzereien oder fleischlichen Werken. Der wird vor das Volk gestellt und sein Übertreten ihm vor Augen gestellt, und so er oder sie dann devon absteht, so bannt man sie nicht, aber man halt dieselben eine Zeit lang auf in den

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1. From the studies of collections of Amos B. Hoover

2. This hymn is also found in the appendix.

3. It is believed that the name UNPARTHEYISCHES was ascribed to our "dinn" Lieder Buch vor that reason, because its hymns were collected from various sources and not from one origin.

5. They first came to Nickelsburg on the frontier of Hungary where they went to a priest and inquired after this people. He entered a carriage and rode with three men to Pausrom to those who were called Hutterites. MARTYRS MIRROR

6. MARTYRS MIRROR.

7. Oberfaltz und Mahren meaning Moravians, see 28th verse.

geistlichen Werken oder Handel und sieht auf die Früchte der Busse. Und so eine Zeit verlaufen ist, stellt man sie wiederum vor das Volk oder die Gemeinde, und so desalbst jemand erfunden wird vom Kleinsten bis zum Grösten, der mit ihrer Buss nicht kann zufrieden sein, so muss derselbe Sünder noch eine Zeit lang aus dem geistlichen Handel bleiben, so lange bis alle Brüder und Schwestern mit ihm zufrieden sind. Alsdann lässt man sie wiederum in in allen Handel kommen. Wenn aber der Sunder nicht will abstehen, wenn man ihn vor die Gemeinde gestellt hat, so wird er abgeschnitten oder gesondert von der Gemeinde, und man meidet ihn in Handel und Wandel und isst und trinkt nicht mit ihm und empfanft ihn nicht in unseren Hausern und grust ihn nicht auf der Strasse.

VII

Von der ehelichen Meidung glauben und bekennen wir eine eheliche Meidung auf solches Weise: So da zwei gläubige Personnen im Ehestand sind, und das eine wird abfällig, and das abfällige begehrt bei dem gläubigen zu wohnen, gebieten wir demselbigen keine Meidung sondern achten (erlauben) dann dem gläubigen Man oder Weib das bequemiste mit dem abgefallenen zu hausen und zur Busse zu vesmahnen mit ihrem keuschen Wandel. Wenn es aber geschieht, dass des abgefallene so verkehrt lebt, dass das gläubige seinen Glauben bei dem unglaubigen micht leben kann, so sehen wir das für gut an, dass das glaubigs (Teil) sich von dem ungläubigen entziehe, und so das abgefallene, welches verkehrt lebt, dass es nicht bei dem gläubigen wohnen will, so ist das gläubigs nicht verbunden, in solcher Schuld zu folgen.

VIII

Vom Eidschwören glauben und bekennen wir, dass ein Christ keinen Eid schwören soll über Ja und Nein, ob er gleich die Wahrheit, sondern lieber sterben.

IX

Vom Schwertführen glauben und bekennen wir, dass ein Christ in keinerlei Weise mit Waffen Gegenstand tue, auch kein Schwert führe. Wir bekennen Christum gestorben zu sein und begraben und am dritten Tage wieder auferstanden und gen Himmel gefahren und wird am jüngsten Tage wieder kommen, Gericht zu halten uber lebendige und toto.

X

Vom Auferstehen der Toten glauben und bekennen wir, dass alle Menschen werden auferstehen mit ihrem Leib und Seele; die Frommen zum ewigen Leben, die Gottlosen zum ewigen Tod.

XI

Vom Sterben der Kinder glauben und bekennen wir: Die Kinder, die in ihrer Unwissenheit sterben, achten wir selig zu sein, besonderlich die der Gläubigen.

XII

Vom Handel und Wandel glauben und bekennen wir, dass keinen Christen zugelassen sei in einigem Handel seinen Nächsten zu betrügen oder zu beleidigen. Wir halten viel von Matth. Kapital 5 und 6, welches wir auch suchen zu beleben.

XIII

Von dem Freien Willen glauben und bekennen wir, dass Got allen Menschen solche Gaben gibt in ihrem freien Willen, dass sie sich mögen kehren zum Guten oder zum Bösen.

Der eine von diesen Griechen hat in der Stadt Larische (Thessaly . . . . Larrissa) Gewohnt und er hat gesagt, dass in derselben Stadt wohl 2000 Bruder wohnen, und da ist nicht ein Flecken in Griechenland, der nicht Brüder darin hätte. Auch sagt er, dass die Gläubigen niemals so verfallen gewesen seien, dass nicht Brüder und Alteste gewesen wären, die nicht allezeit in den Dienst bestätigt haben. Er sagt, dass sie noch Briefe haben, die die Aposteln mit ihren eignen Händen geschrieben haben, und dass sie den Brief haben die Korinther an 5 vom gemeldeten Buch haben und die Briefe an die Thessalinicher und die Offenbarung Johannis, und sagt, dass es ganz grosse Buchstaben seien, griechisch geschrieben, so gross als ein Gleid von einem Finger geschrieben, und hinten an der Offenbarung Johannis haben sie zwei Regeln mehr als wir und stehen ein wenig unten an, und lauten auf folgende Weise: "Verflucht sei der Mensch, der sein Vertrauen setzt auf das ungesauerte Brot," und wir haben nicht verstehen können in unseren Lands, was der Apostel mit diesen Worten meinet. Aber als ich hier bin durch das Land gekommen zu reison, da befand ich was der Apostel hiemit gemeint hat, denn ich habe ein Volk gefunden, dass seine Hoffnung gesetzt hat in ein fett (fest?) ungesäuert Brot.

XIV

Von Patriarchen glauben und bekennen wir: Patriarchen, Bischöf und Diakonen mögen nichts ausrichten, ohne gesandt zu sein von der Gemeinde oder jemand von oben. Von Kaufen und Handel: Die Patriarchen, Bischofe und Prediger mögen keinen Kaufhandel treiben, denn allein wirken mit ihren Händen, und so dieselben zu kurz kommen, so erfüllens die Brüder. Von der Obrigkeit bekennen unter ihnen zu sein, denn Christus ist ihre Obrigkeit und König.

Soviel der drei Griechen oder Christen von Thessalonich ihr eigens Bekenntnis.

Dieser Brief ist aufgesetzt worden im Jahr 1627 oder um dieselbe Zeit, und wiederum abgeschrieben worden im Jahr 1743, den 24. April, von Jakob Schanz; und im Jahre 1805, den 25. Oktober, von Abraham Stauffer; und am 22. August 1814 von Johannes Bar; und im Dezember 1829 von Johannes Konrad; und im April 1905 von Otto Lichti, Bloomfield, New Jersey.

P. S. Being very busy I had Bro. Lichti to copy it for me. N. B. Grubb. (1920 or so?)

JUNIATA CO. NOTE

Rufus P. Kanagy, 64, of Mifflintown R2, Penna. had an apoplictic stroke July 8th, his right side is paralized. His wife also has been feeble for some time and is not able to care for him.

VISITING MINISTERS

At Arthur, Illinois on July 25

We now have twelve districts here in Illinois, six on each Sunday.

In Steve Kaufman district were Simeon Miller from Millersburg, Ohio and Deacon Sam H. Bowman, Ohio, at Ben Gingerich.

In Menno S. Miller south district were Bishop John D. Fry, Millersburg, Ohio and Deacon Jake Miller, Ind., at Menno L. Stutzmans.

In Dan Miller district were John Miller from Middlefield, Ohio and Uria Miller from Middlefield, O., at Lewis E. Ottos.

In Cris E. Otto north district was Minister Jake Beachey at Fred Masts.

In Abe Gingerich district was Minister Ben Raber from Ohio, at Jonas Herschbergers.

In David Beachey district was Minister John Yoder, from Ohio, at Elmer Millers.

ST. MARY'S CO., MD. ACCIDENT

Amos R. Stoltzfus, Mechanicsville R2, Maryland while at a barn raising on Friday, July 16 was pulling a rope and it broke. He jumped but landed with full weight on the left foot as the right one went down a hole. He has a broken ankle and a cracked bone above the ankle.

The Hour Glass

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MARYLAND

Considerable interest has been manifested in a field of potatoes along the State Road near Westminster, by the workmen from Manchester, and Meltrose conveyed to Schriver's canning factory every morning. The field contains an acre or more, furrowed out and planted in such a way that it can be cultivated from different angles, thus keeping it free from weeds with less trouble. The tubers are planted about three feet apart each way and so carefully done that the line of hills either way do not vary an inch. We will try to learn the result of this "different" way of planting potatoes.

It may be interesting to the readers to learn the ages when our presidents died and from what disease: Washington, 67, pneumonia; J.A. Adams, 90, debility; Jefferson, 83, chronic; Madison, 85, debility; Monroe, 73, debility; J.Q. Adams, 80, paralysis; Jackson, 78, consumption; Van Buren, 79, asthmatic cattarrh; Harrison, 68, bilious pleurisy; Tyler, 71, bilious attack; Polk, 53, chronic diarhea; Taylor, 68, bilious fever; Fillmore, 74, debility; Pierce, 74, inflamatory rheumatism; Lincoln, 52, assassinated; Johnson, 68, paralysis; Grant, 63, cancer; Hayes, 70, paralysis of heart; Garfield, 65, assassinated; Cleveland, 65, complication of diseases; Harrison, 68, pneumonia; McKinley, 58, assassinated; Roosevelt, 49, blood poisoning

As we have written before, air and water here in the country, at least are not taxed. Recently we drank water from a spring in the side of a steep hill. The spring was cemented shut, the water flowing from a pipe, having all the elements of pure water from the bowels of the earth. Its temperature would warrant the uselessness of ice and seems to satisfy the inner man. Near Sodus, N. Y. there is an elm tree with a flowing spring in its wide trunk, throwing out its cold crystal water to all who would taste its pure and refreshing elements. J. Albert Zepp
Manchester, Md.

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

Continued from last month

Another son of Michael Lapp and also youngest was Isaac Lapp born September 6, 1788, died in 1819 At the age of thirty one years and is buried in the Gordonville Cemetery. Isaac Lapp married Barbara Stoltzfus born March 16, 1789, a daughter of Bishop Christian Stoltzfus of Millcreek who was a son of the emigrant Nichalos Stoltzfus of Berks Co., Pa. Isaac and his wife Barbara purchased in 1811 a tract of land from his brother John Lapp Sr. in East Lampeter Twp. which was part or all of the farm of Elam S. and Stephen U. Fisher, which was formerly the Jacob Souder tract, who was the founder of the town of Soudersburg. However Isaac Lapp purchased land adjacent the Lapp tract of about eight or ten acres.

To this union were born six children, two of which died at several years of age. The oldest was Elizabeth Lapp born October 20, 1811, married in Lancaster Co., to Jacob L. King. They raised a family of ten children in the vicinity of Bird-in-Hand, Lancaster Co. prior to moving to Mifflin Co., Pa., from where most or at least some of their children pushed west and settled in Logan and Fairfield Co., Ohio and other western states being mostly affiliated with the Mennonite church. This accounts for another family moving out of Lancaster Co. in the early part of the nineteenth century.

The second child of Isaac and Barbara Lapp was John S. Lapp born July 22, 1813, died in 1882. He was married to Catharine King, daughter of John and Barbara (Fisher) King. John S. purchased the farm from his mother sometime after her second marriage, to Michael Schwartz. John S. Lapp became dissatisfied and moved to the Limeville section in Salisbury

Twp. to the farm now owned by Christian Petersheim where Samuel F. Lapp still resides at this writing. Samuel F. purchased the farm from his father John Lapp who purchased it from his father Joshua Lapp who in turn was a son of John S. and Catharine Lapp.

The third child of Isaac and Barbara Lapp was Christian Lapp born November 12, 1816, died in 1898. He was married to Lydia Shanebeck who came to this country from Europe. Her father took sick on the ship, died and was buried in the sea. Her mother, Ann Shaenbeck is buried in the Millwood Cemetery. They raised a family of five children all of whom married and had offspring in Lancaster Co. Two of the grandchildren were Bishop Henry Lapp and his brother, Minister Christian L. Lapp who compiled a small genealogy of the Lapp family in 1941.

The fourth child of Isaac and Barbara Lapp was Barbara Lapp born March 17, 1820, seven months after her father died. She was married to a Jacob Yoder of Ronks. They had three sons, namely: John Yoder of Lancaster, Christ Yoder of Ronks, and Jacob Yoder who married Susan Hershey. None of these children are affiliated with the Amish church.

Barbara Lapp widow of Isaac remarried to Michael Swartz in 1831 who was born January 21, 1894 in France. When he came to this country, is not known at this time, but it is believed he came with his parents and settled in Berks Co. He was ordained to the ministry as a full deacon or a bishop deacon. After he was married to widow Barbara Lapp they lived on the farm one and one half miles north of Intercourse where Jacob E. King and his son Levi now live. To this union was born one son Jacob Swartz born in 1835. He married Magdalena Stoltzfus of Union Co., Pa. She was a daughter of Deacon Christian Stoltzfus of that place. The marriage of this couple caused quite a dispute as they were between first and second cousins. The feeling between church members grew so tense that Michael Swartzes decided to move to Union Co., Pa. Here they lived till Michael Swartz's wife Barbara died in 1866. Soon after that Michael moved to Lanc. Co. again to his son Jacob near to the Millwood church in Salisbury Twp. to which they belonged at that time. Here Jacob Swartz's wife died and is buried at Millwood. Jacob then moved to Mifflin Co. and married a widow by the name of Stuckie. His father Michael Swartz then sold out at Millwood and moved to Wayne County, Ohio where some of his grandchildren lived at that time. Here he died Jan. 5, 1885 and is buried there.

Ever since that time the name Swartz cousin is used here in Lancaster County to express the relationship between first and second cousins.

In the April issue of THE DIARY is given the list of the early ministers of Lancaster Co. and the question was asked, "Who was their deacon?" Johannas King was a full deacon or bishop deacon, but it is not known where he was ordained, probably in Berks Co. as they moved from Berks to Lanc. Co. in the first decade of the nineteenth century, to the farm now owned by Jacob Swarey near Ronks.

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

THE RIEHL FAMILY

The Riehl family is a notable family name among the Amish people in Lancaster and Mifflin Counties in Pennsylvania. Although the name appears mostly among the Mennonites in the western states.

Much credit must be given to the late Elias B. Riehl of Union County, Pennsylvania who was a son of Joel Riehl and a nephew to the late Bishop Elias Riehl of the same place. Elias B. Riehl was born December 22, 1855 and died around 1900 in Union County. He had in his possession when he died some valuable manuscripts which he collected in his lifetime of the Riehl families. According to his descendants most of his writings were destroyed after his death. Although a few were preserved by his son, Carl Riehl of Lewisburg, who in turn presented to the writer what was left.

Elias B. Riehl was a great-grandson of Lewis Riehl who was smuggled into this country as a young boy about eight years old. The best way to explain this is to print an identical copy of the writings of this Elias B. Riehl, as follows:

> "Lewis Riehl was born somewhere in Europe in the year 1746 and died in Mifflin County, Pa. May 5, 1806 aged 60 yrs. When about 8 years old he was stolen from his mother and brought to this country and bound over to a certain man until of age. A man by the name of Kurtz persuaded him to get on board a vessel about to sail for America and when once on board the boy in vain implored to go on shore but the vessel moved off and he was forced to remain on board and come to America. While serving his time he had very inhuman treatment not unfrequently availing himself of the beds of the swine to lie down on.
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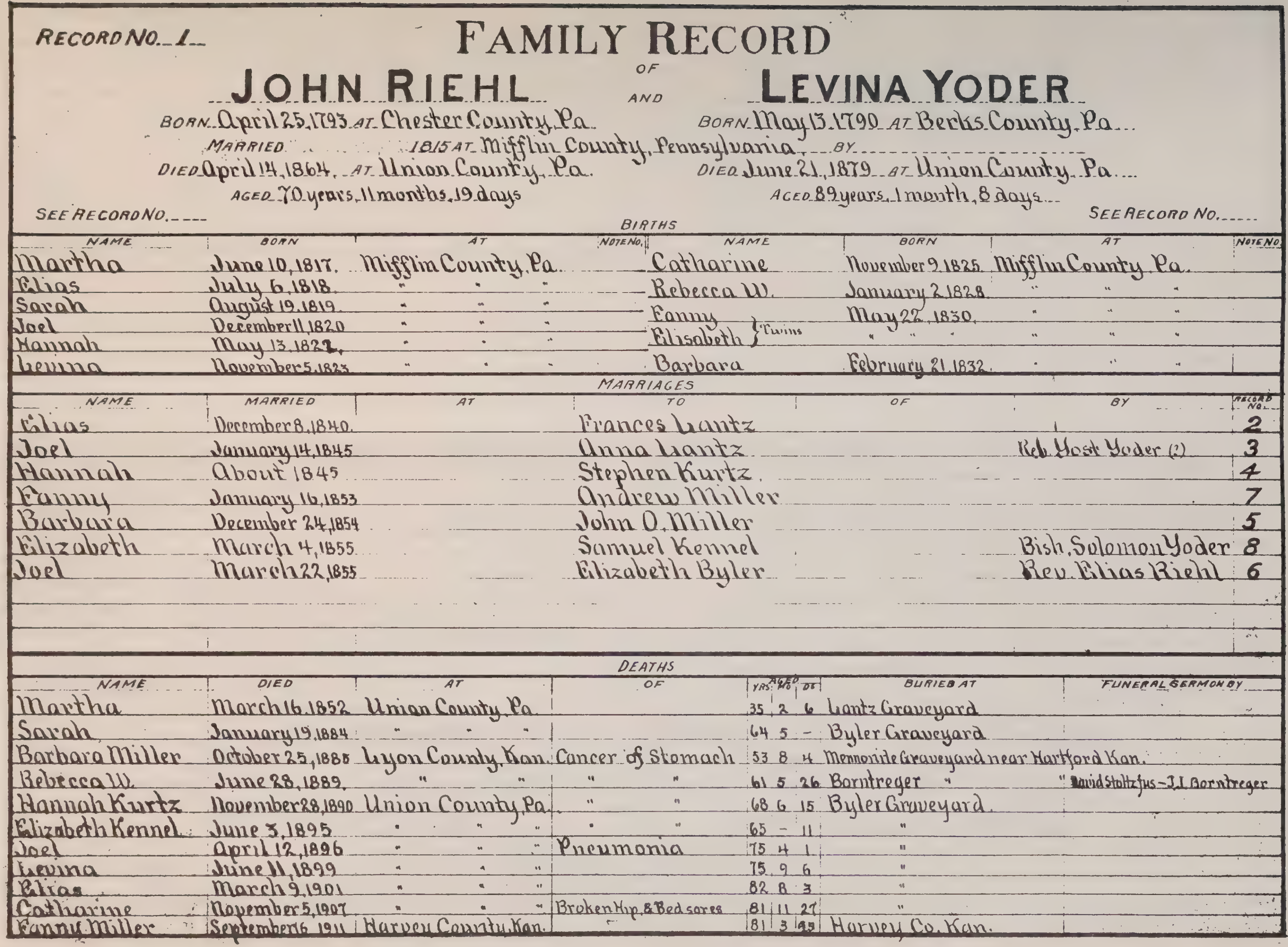
> The date of his marriage is not known. He was married to Veronica Fisher, likely in Chester County, Pa. (a daughter of Christian Fisher of West Nantmeal Twp.) She was born somewhere in Pa. Apr. 3, 1750 and died in Mifflin Co. Pa. Aug. 22, 1825, aged 75 yrs, 3 mos. & 10 days"

It is not known just how many children were born to Lewis and Veronica (Fisher) Riehl, from two different records available, they both list four children, but the names differ except that of Jacob Riehl, who was married to Levina Yoder also of Mifflin but later moved to Union Co., Pa. and died there. We will herewith print a series of family records of John and Levina (Yoder) Riehl which was printed by the aforementioned Elias B. Riehl.

As we all know not all people are interested in family records, but as we look at these forms we cannot help but admire the penmanship, the neat hand printing and hand writing that was used to compile these forms. by Amos L. Fisher

To Be Continued



RECORD NO. 1

FAMILY RECORD

OF

JOHN RIEHL AND **LEVINA YODER**

BORN April 25, 1793 AT Chester County, Pa.
MARRIED 1815 AT Mifflin County, Pennsylvania BY
DIED April 14, 1864, AT Union County, Pa.
AGED 70 years, 11 months, 19 days
SEE RECORD NO.

BORN May 13, 1790 AT Berks County, Pa.
DIED June 21, 1879 AT Union County, Pa.
AGED 89 years, 1 month, 8 days
SEE RECORD NO.

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.
Martha	June 10, 1817.	Mifflin County, Pa.		Catharine	November 9, 1825.	Mifflin County, Pa.	
Elias	July 6, 1818.	" " "		Rebecca W.	January 2, 1828.	" " "	
Sarah	August 19, 1819.	" " "		Fanny } Twins	May 22, 1830.	" " "	
Joel	December 11, 1820	" " "		Elisabeth } Twins	" " "	" " "	
Hannah	May 13, 1822.	" " "		Barbara	February 21, 1832.	" " "	
Levina	November 5, 1823.	" " "					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NO.
Elias	December 8, 1840.		Frances Lantz			2
Joel	January 14, 1845		Anna Lantz		Reb. Yost Yoder (?)	3
Hannah	About 1845		Stephen Kurtz.			4
Fanny	January 16, 1853		Andrew Miller			7
Barbara	December 24, 1854		John O. Miller			5
Elizabeth	March 4, 1855.		Samuel Kennel		Bish. Solomon Yoder	8
Joel	March 22, 1855		Elizabeth Byler		Rev. Elias Riehl	6

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS.	MO.	DS.	BURIED AT	FUNERAL SERMON BY
Martha	March 16, 1852	Union County, Pa.		35	2	6	Lantz Graveyard	
Sarah	January 19, 1884	" " "		64	5	-	Byler Graveyard	
Barbara Miller	October 25, 1888	Lyon County, Kan.	Cancer of Stomach	53	8	4	Mennonite Graveyard near Hartford Kan.	
Rebecca W.	June 28, 1889.	" "	" "	61	5	26	Borntreger "	" David Stoltzfus - J. I. Borntreger
Hannah Kurtz	November 28, 1890	Union County, Pa.	" "	68	6	15	Byler Graveyard.	
Elizabeth Kennel	June 3, 1895	" " "	" "	65	-	11	"	
Joel	April 12, 1896	" " "	Pneumonia	75	4	1	"	
Levina	June 11, 1899	" " "		75	9	6	"	
Elias	March 9, 1901	" " "		82	8	3	"	
Catharine	November 5, 1907	" " "	Broken Hip & Bed sores	81	11	27	"	
Fanny Miller	September 16, 1911	Harvey County, Kan.		81	3	25	Harvey Co. Kan.	

RECORD NO. 2

FAMILY RECORD

ELIAS RIEHL OF AND FRANCES LANTZ

BORN July 6, 1818 AT Mifflin Co. Pa. — BORN August 5, 1816 AT Lancaster County, Pa.

MARRIED December 8, 1840 AT East Buffalo Twp, Unionion Co. Pa BY Rev. Christian Zook

DIED March 9, 1901 AT Union Co. Pa. — DIED May 29, 1897 AT Union County, Pa.

AGED 80 yrs, 8 mos, 3 days — AGED 80 yrs, 9 mos, 24 days

SEE RECORD NO. 1 — SEE RECORD NO.

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.
Annie L.	Nov. 30, 1841.	East Buf. Twp, Union Co. Pa					
Samuel L.	Feb. 4, 1844	" "					
John F.	June 13, 1848	" "					
Joel L.	Aug 24, 1851.	" "					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NO.
Joel L.	Feb. 9, 1882		Rosa Smith			11
John F.	June 23, 1896.	East Buf Twp. Union Co. Pa	Katie Lauver		Rev. Elias Riehl	

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED			BURIED AT	FUNERAL SERMON BY
				YRS	MO	DS		
Joel L.	April 24, 1890	East Buf. Twp. Union Co. Pa		38	8	–	Byler Graveyard	
John F.	Feb. 8, 1921.	" " " "					" "	

RECORD NO. 3

FAMILY RECORD

OF

JOEL RIEHL AND **ANNA LANTZ**

BORN December 11, 1820 AT Mifflin County, Pa.

BORN April 26, 1820 AT Lancaster County, Pa.

MARRIED January 14, 1845 AT East Buffalo Twp, Union County, Pa. BY Rev. Christian Zook (?)

DIED April 12, 1896 AT E. Buf. Twp, Union County, Pa.

AGED 75 YEARS 4 MONTHS 1 DAYS

DIED June 10, 1851 AT East Buf. Twp, Union Co. Pa.

AGED 31 YEARS 1 MONTHS 15 DAYS

SEE RECORD NO. 1

SEE RECORD NO.

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.
John	November 11, 1845	East Buf. Twp., Union Co. Pa.					
Samuel	June 6, 1848	" "					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NO.

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS.	AGED MO.	AGED DS.	INTERMENT AT	FUNERAL SERVICE BY
Samuel	September 14, 1848	E. Buf. Twp, Union Co. Pa			3	8	Lantz Graveyard	
John	December 24, 1862	E. Buf. Tp. Union Co. Pa	Fell under loaded wagon	17	1	13	" "	

RECORD NO. 4

FAMILY RECORD

OF

STEPHEN KURTZ AND **HANNAH RIEHL**

BORN (September ?) 1808 AT Mifflin County Pa.

BORN May 13, 1822 AT Mifflin County, Pa.

MARRIED ________ AT ________ BY ________

DIED October 9, 1869 AT E. Buf. Twp. Union Co. Pa.

AGED 61 YEARS ? MONTHS ? DAYS

DIED November 8, 1890 AT E. Buf. Twp. Union Co. Pa.

AGED 68 YEARS 5 MONTHS 26 DAYS.

SEE RECORD NO. ____

SEE RECORD NO. 1

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.
Levina	March 9, 1846	Mifflin County					
John R.	July 1, 1848	" "					
Sallie	February 14, 1851	" "					
Abram K.	August 28, 1854	" "					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NUMBER
Sallie	January 1, 1874	Union County, Pa.	Joseph Zook			9
John R.	January 27, 1885	Mifflin County, "	Kate Starook	Mifflin County, Pa.		

DEATHS

NAME	DEIB	AT	OF	AGED YRS.	AGED MO.	AGED DS.	INTERMENT AT	FUNERAL SERVICE BY
Levina	October 22, 1909	E. Buf. Twp. Union Co., Pa.	Pneumonia.	63	7	13	Byler Graveyard	

RECORD NO. 5

FAMILY RECORD

OF

JOHN O. MILLER AND **BARBARA RIEHL**

BORN May 12, 1832 AT Lancaster County, Pa.
MARRIED December 24, 1854 AT Baltimore County, Md. BY Pre. Solomon Yoder
DIED ______ AT ______
AGED ___ YEARS, ___ MONTHS, ___ DAYS.
SEE RECORD NO. ___

BORN February 21, 1832 AT Mifflin County, Pa.
DIED October 25, 1885 AT Lyon County, Kan.
AGED 53 YEARS 8 MONTHS 4 DAYS.
SEE RECORD NO. 1

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER
Elias R.	October 13, 1855	Baltimore County, Md.		Catharine R.	March 4, 1868	Union County, Pa.	
Nancy	March 3, 1857	" " "		Menno Simon	December 12, 1870	" " "	
Jonas Y.	December 25, 1858	" " "		David W.	September 4, 1873	" " "	
Fanny Levina	October 17, 1862	Union County, Pa.		Emma Elisabeth	December 11, 1875	" " "	

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NUMBER
Nancy	December 16, 1886	Lyon County, Kansas.	Joseph Hertzler	Baltimore County, Md.	Rev. John P. King	18
Elias R.	January 23, 1887	Home of Jonathan Hartzler	Elizabeth Hartzler	near Mottville, Mich.		17
Fanny Levina	May 13, 1883	Chilicothe Ohio.	Archibald D. Warfel	Baltimore County, Md. (?)		19
Catharine R.	October 16, 1887	Hartford, Kansas.	Philip H. Hoch	Lyon County, Kan.	Rev. M. V. Robins	20
David W.	February 20, 1901	Kansas City, Kansas	Lillie Boone	Cass County, Mo.	Rev. Holcomb	21
Emma Elizabeth						22

DEATHS.

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS	AGED MO.	AGED DS	INTERMENT AT
Menno Simon							
Nancy (Hertzler)	January 19, 1915	Baltimore Co., Md.	Paralysis	57	10	16	

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THE MARTYRS MIRROR--1660-1960

An Appreciation

CHRISTIAN J. KURTZ

THE MARTYRS MIRROR first appeared in the year 1660 at the town of Dordrecht in Holland. It was written and compiled by Tieleman Jansz van Braght, a Mennonite minister at the same town. In 1960, on the 300th anniversary of this event, we do well to remember this large and valuable history of men and women who believed in God and His Word and died for the faith rather than recant and go with the world.

In 1960 we need to take this book off the shelf again and have a fresh look into its pages. It will stir our blood and give us a new appreciation of the faith of the Lord Jesus Christ and for His Church. In our day there is indifference to, a drifting away and apostasy from the vital truths of Holy Scripture revived by our Anabaptist forefathers at the time of the Reformation. A study of the pages in this book will result in a more zealous contending for the faith and less rejection of the Mennonite Church. It can bring new life and vigor into our beloved Church.

THE MARTYRS MIRROR id divided into two parts. In part I we find the history of the persecution of the apostles and the early church as well as later martyrs until the end of the 15th century and the beginning of the Reformation. Among the church leaders who defended the faith are found Ignatius, Polucarp, Justin Martyr, Athanasius, and others. Here we find the history of those who did not affiliate with the Catholic Church, such as Donatists, Albigenses, Waldenses, and other groups. There is also an account of the rise of Mohammedanism and the rise of power in the Catholic Church and the division of the East and West in this church.

Van Braght does not separate history and doctrine. We learn much about original sin, believers baptism, the church, the deity of Christ, and other doctrines which were vital issues in those days. Our own generation can see here the emphasis placed on right Christian doctrine as taught in the Word of God. Until 325 A.D. there were ten great persecutions and almost continual persecution of true believers throughout the succeeding centuries. Part I has 362 pages (inthe 1951 edition).

Part II is much longer, with 780 pages, and covers the period of the Reformation. During this time persecutions broke out afresh and were much severer than former ones. They took many thousands lives of men and women who stood for the faith. Many of these Christians wrote letters from prison to encourage others in the faith and to give assurance of continuance in the same. Their hope was in God and they looked for the time when these evil days would be over and they could rest in peace with Christ in glory. Their petitions to rulers and their testimonies in court in behalf of the faith are recorded.

It is in this section that we find the Anabaptist defenders of the faith, such as Felix Manz, George Blaurock, Conrad Grebel, Michael Sattler, and Pilgram Marpeck. We find here, also, the stirring accounts of hundreds of martyrs who suffered in the Low Countries. Many were women; some were young people, who at 13 and 15 years of age gave their testimony by death. The hardships and sore trials of our forefathers led to the revival and establishment of the Church once again on the true foundation of Jesus Christ and the apostles.

In THE MARTYRS MIRROR we have an account of the faithful remnent throughout the centuries until the time of the Reformation. In spite of false teachers and worldly allurements they were victorious. They remained steadfast and unmovable because of the certainty of their faith. They were filled with power, as the apostles, and gave witness of the resurrection of Christ.

May we be challenged during this anniversary year as we again look into the history of the Anabaptist martyrs. Might it be possible for us to become revived once again as we read and study about the life of the church? Could we in the 20th century endure persecution as they did? It is possible if we have faith in Christ as they had. "But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (I Corinthians 15:57). This was the way they triumphed over the world and it is the way for us to follow that together we may receive the promises. God be praised forever and aver.

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LEOLA PA. MAN CRUSHED BY LUMBER

Samuel Z. Stoltzfus, 64, of Talmage, Pa., was killed when he was crushed between two piles of lumber while working at the Leola supply Co., Leola, Monday morning, August 30. He was found shortly after the accident pinned between two stacks of lumber. The one stack apparently fell on him, pinning his chest against another stack. He was believed to have been walking between the two stacks of hardwood lumber, checking measurements, when the one pile toppled over on him. He was employed as a fork lift operator at the firm for approximately 11 years. He had driven his lift truck into the yard and apparently had dismounted to check the lumber piles.

Stoltzfus was pronounced dead at the scene. He made no outcry after the accident took place. The body was discovered between 7:15 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. He apparently was found just after it happened. It was Stoltzfus' job to carry the heavy piles of lumber on his lift truck from the yard into the firm's fabricating shop. The lumber is brought into the shop on pallets about four feet wide and four feet high.

(see obituary)

6 YEAR OLD BOY DIED OF LEUKEMIA

Bennie, 6 year old son of Pre. and Mrs. Roy W. Miller passed away early Saturday morning, Aug. 21 of acute leukemia. He was an active and healthy little boy and was not sick long. However, as long as four weeks before that he tired easily at times. Later he had what they thought was whooping cough with some complications. It was only shortly before his death that the doctors found the cause of his illness.

He leaves his parents, 3 brothers and 3 sisters, his grandparents, Mose D. Bontragers of the family home and grandparents, Bishop and Mrs. William P. Miller of Centreville, Mich. Also many uncles, aunts and cousins. Little Bennie's smile will be missed by all who knew him.

HEART PATIENT DIED IN PHILA., PA.

Emma, wife of Omar S. Fisher, 42, Bart, Penna. (Georgetown) died at 1:05 p.m. Monday, August 30 at Hahnenmann Hospital, Phipadelphia where she had been a patient for five weeks. She had an open heart operation approximately 14 years ago and had various visits to the hospital recently. (see obituary)

JAMESPORT, MO. MAN HAD CANCER

Enos E. Bontrager, age 47, died Aug. 9 of cancer. He was bedfast the last four weeks and suffered much pain, he was in a coma from Sun. p.m. till he died the next eve. at 10:00. Funeral was held at the home Aug. 12, with a large attendance. Preaching by Bishop Simon Hostetler of Milroy, Ind. and the home bishop, John Kramer in shed, Preacher Menno Hostetler of Cashton, Wis. and Bishop Tobe Detweiler in house. (see obituary)

ARTHUR, ILL., DEATH

This community was greatly shocked to hear of the death of Mrs. Emanuel Mast (Sarah Schrock) Sat. eve. Aug. 21. She was born Sept. 23, 1906; died Aug. 21, 1971 aged 64 yr., 10 mo. and 28 days; married Emanuel L. Mast, Aug. 24, 1940, lived in matrimony 30 yr. and 27 days, leaves husband, 2 sons, 1 dau., 3 step sons and 5 step daughters.

ARTHUR, ILL., SICK REPORT

Mr. and Mrs. Enos Beachy from Ohio were here on a visit and on August 7, Enos had a heart attack. He was taken to Tuscola Hospital and remained till Aug. 28. Is reported better and out of hospital again.

VISITING MINISTERS

Arthur, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin J. Yoder from Howard Co., Indiana were at church at Reuben Yoders, August 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bontrager from Topeka, Indiana were in church at Pre. David J. Schrocks, August 29 and also at Pre. Amos Millers, August 30.

"Lasset die Kindlein zu mir kommen"..
Mark 10:14

BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pa.

ALLGYER, John Sarah Lapp) Gap R1
a daughter ELIZABETH L., August 31
BEILER, Benjamin S. (Mary F. Stoltzfus) Christiana
a daughter NANCY S., August 28
BEILER, John I (Fannie F. Stoltzfus) Gap R1
a daughter FANNIE S., August 13
DIENNER, Eli S. (Rachel L. Stoltzfus) Gap R1
a daughter SUSANNA, August 19
ESCH, Jacob S. (Arie Blank) New Providence R1
a daughter MIRIAM, August 16
ESH, Eli (Rachel Fisher) Ronks R1
a daughter SUSANNA, August 10
ESH, Jonas K. (Naomi F. Stoltzfus) Ronks R1
a son ABNER S., August 22
ESH, Jonathan S. (Malinda S. Lapp) Ronks R1
a daughter BARBARA L., August 31
ESH, Samuel F. (Mary Ann Lapp) Gordonville R1
a daughter ANNA MARY, August 11
FISHER, Bennie A. (Lydia King) Kinzers R1
a son MATTHEW, August 7
FISHER, Elam B. (Mary K. Stoltzfus) Paradise R1
a daughter CATHERINE LOUISE, August 13
FISHER, Elmer F. (Leah Beiler) Ronks R1
a daughter ESTHER, August 11
FISHER, Stephen S. (Rachel Esh) Christiana R1
a daughter MALINDA E., August 19
GLICK, Christ B. (Sarah F. Kauffman) Ronks R1
a son REUBEN, August 6
GLICK, Simeon S. (Mary S. Zook) New Holland R1
a daughter BARBARA Z., August 3
KAUFFMAN, Samuel K. (Sarah Stoltzfus) Ronks R1
a son BENJAMIN M., August 31
KING, Amos (Mary King) Kirkwood R1
a son AMOS JR., August 16
KING, Amos M. (Lydia K. Lapp) Gordonville R1
a daughter BARBARA L., August 12
KING, Benuel S. (Mary Ann Dienner) Paradise R1
a daughter SUSANNA, August 19
KING, Christian B. (Sarah Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1
a son SAMUEL F., August 13
LANTZ, Jacob K. (Katie S. King) Honey Brook R1
a daughter WILMA JOY, August 13
LAPP, Stephen A. (Rebecca S. Fisher) Quarryville R2
a son ABRAM F., August 28
PETERSHEIM, Christian R. (Fannie (. Fisher)
Christiana R1, a son DANIEL, August 25
PETERSHEIM, Omar (Sylvia King) Gordonville R1
a son ELAM, August 18
STOLTZFOOS, Amos F. (Anna R. Stoltzfus)
Kinzers R1, a daughter RACHEL S., August 23
STOLTZFOOS, Amos K. (Rachel Glick) Leola R1
a daughter RUTH G., August 17
STOLTZFUS, Alvin F. (Annie Dienner) Kinzers R1
a daughter ADA FERN, August 23
STOLTZFUS, Elam, (Lydia Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1
a daughter MARY R., August 10
STOLTZFUS, Ephraim (Barbara Lapp) Gap R1
a son MELVIN LEE, August 18
STOLTZFUS, John M. (Barbara E. Fisher) Leola R1
a daughter BARBARA F., August 25
STOLTZFUS, Jonas E. (Sarah Esh) East Earl R1
twins, a daughter ANNA RUTH
a son AMOS JAY, August 19
STOLTZFUS, Phares Z. (Arie E. Fisher) Ronks R1
a son STEPHEN F., August 20
ZOOK, Benjamin (Elizabeth Stoltzfus) New Holland R1
a son LEROY N., August 22
ZOOK, Henry F. (Katie S. Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1
a son SAMUEL F., August 29

Juniata County, Pa.

KANAGY, Rufus P. Jr. (Barbara Blank)
Mifflintown R2, a dau. SARA ANN, August 29

Centre County, Pa.

STOLTZFUS, Tobias (Fannie Zook) Rebersburg
a daughter HANNAH, July 15

Mifflin County, Pa.

KANAGY, Menno (Mary Swarey) Belleville
a son NOAH, August 9
PEACHEY, Samuel (Hettie Kanagy) Belleville
a son NATHANIEL, August 11

Somerset County, Pa.

BRENNEMAN, Noah E. (Esther Yoder) Salisbury
a son, ALBERT JAMES, August 26
BRENNEMAN, Norman E. (Amanda Yoder)Meyersdale
a son PAUL, August 16
YODER, Joel A. (Lydia H. Kinsinger) Springs
a son LEVI, August 13
YODER, John Y. (Sadie A. Kinsinger) Grantsville, Md.
a daughter EMMA JANE, August 7
YODER, Lewis P. (Annie B. Yoder) Springs
a son PETE, August 1

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St. Mary's County, Maryland

BEILER, David (Saloma Wengerd) Mechanicsville
a daughter CRHISTINA, August 6
LEE, Gideon (Mary Yoder) Mechanicsville
a daughter LYDIA, August 22

Holmes and Wayne Counties, Ohio

BARKMAN, Mr. and Mrs. Mose J., Baltic R1
a daughter CAROLYN, August 4
BEACHY, Joseph J. (Mary Weaver) Sugar Creek R1
a son TIMOTHY, July 30
COBLENTZ, Glen W. (Elsie J. Troyer) Walnut Creek
twin sons, LAVERN RAY and DALE JAY, August 6
MAST, Mr. and Mrs. Henry E., Millersburg R4
a son
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel, Charm
a daughter
RABER, Mr. and Mrs. B. Aden, Baltic R1
a son MYRON, August 21
RABER, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus B., Farmerstown
a daughter
STUTZMAN, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin, Millersburg R3
a daughter
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Albert, Millersburg Star Rt.
a son
TROYER, Henry A. (Alma E. Miller) Apple Creek R1
a son MARVIN, August 25
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. John M., Holmesville
a daughter
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond, Millersburg R5
a daughter
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. William J., Millersburg R5
a son MYRON, August 5
WEAVER, Mr. and Mrs. Dan B., Millersburg R1
a daughter MIRIAM, July 31
YODER, Clarence J. (Barbara J. Troyer)
New Philadelphia, a son CLARENCE JR., August 8
YODER, David A. (Anna S. Weaver) Millersburg
a daughter MARY ANN, August 8
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel H., Baltic
a son ELI

Adams County, Indiana

EICHER, Amos N. (Sarah Schwartz) Geneva R2
a son, August 25
EICHER, Clarence (Salome Wickey) Monroe R1
a daughter SUSAN, July 31
EICHER, Menno (Rebecca Hilty) Geneva R2
a son DAVID, July
GIROD, Levi J. (Rosie Schwartz) Monroe R1
a son JOHN, July 21
GRABER, David J. (Millie Lambright) Geneva R2
a son JONAS, July 13
GRABER, Jonas J. (Mattie Lambright) Geneva R2
a son AMOS, July
HILTY, Elmer K. (Salome Graber) Geneva R2
a son HENRY, August 19
MILLER, Emanuel (Lydiann Schwartz) Monroe R1
a daughter ROSIE, August 11
SCHWARTZ, Amos (Lydiann Schwartz) Berne R1
a daughter WILMA, July 27
SCHWARTZ, Attlee M. (Katie Schwartz) Berne R1
a daughter BARBARA, August
SCHWARTZ, Elmer D. (Emma Graber) Berne R1
a son ROMAN, July 2
SCHWARTZ, Ernest D. (Katherine Hilty) Berne R1
a daughter RUTH ANN, August 4
SCHWARTZ, Henry (Elizabeth Eicher) Berne R2
a son JOHN, August 21
SCHWARTZ, John K. (Anna Hilty) Berne R1
a son ARLAN, July 6
SCHWARTZ, Raymond (Josephine Schwartz)
Berne R2, a daughter ELIZABETH, August
SCHWARTZ, William H. (Susie Hilty) Geneva R2
a daughter LUCINDA, July 22

LaGrange County, Indiana

EASH, John (Verna Miller) Rome City R1
a son LEROY J., August 6
LEHMAN, Daniel (Ada Bontrager) Topeka R2
a daughter WILMA, July 29
MAST, Ora A. (Wilma Yoder) Shipshewana R1
a daughter ELLA, August
MILLER, Dennis (Barbara Mast)
a son WILBUR, August 2
MILLER, Jerry (Ruby Miller) Shipshewana R1
a daughter MARLENE, August 12
MILLER, Leonard (Ruby Slabaugh)
a daughter INEZ, July 9
MULLET, Leroy (Lizzie Raber) LaGrange R4
a son ALFRED L., August 17
RABER, Lloyd (Edna Bontrager) Topeka R1
a daughter SUSAN L., August 30
SLABACH, Ervin E. (Clara Yoder)
a daughter ROSANNA, July 10
WENGERD, Joe (Anna Mae Whetstone) LaGrange R1
a daughter DENA, August 22
WHETSTONE, Perry (Mary Graber) LaGrange R1
a daughter SUE ANN, August 3
YODER, David (Ida Mae Miller) Shipshewana R1
a son OLEN LEE, August 16

Daviess County, Indiana

GRABER, David (Corene Raber)
a son AMOS, August 29
GRABER, Enos (Anna Weaver)
a son LEROY, August 19
GRABER, Glenn (Betty Weaver)
a son AARON, August 27
KNEPP, Jacob (Rosann Marner)
a son JACOB DARVON, August 20

Arthur, Illinois

CHUPP, Harvey (Mary Otto)
a son JOSEPH ALLEN, August 16

Jamesport, Missouri

BEECHY, Elmer L. (Mary Yutzy)
a daughter SHARON KAY, August 4
MAST, Jonas A. (Wilma Bontrager)
a son MAHLON, August 5
YODER, David A. (Mattie Bontrager)
a son RAYMOND, August 10

BIRTHS, continued

Buchanan County, Iowa

HERSHBERGER, Mervin (Sarah Miller) Hazleton
a son LEVI, August 4

KAUFFMAN, Dan A. (Lizzie Raber) Hazleton
a daughter ANNA, August 17

YODER, Amos J. (Lydia Schmucker) Fairbank
a son JOE, August 16

YODER, Andy J. (Amelia Kauffman) Hazleton
a daughter BETTY, August

YODER, Henry L. (Ruby Gingerich) Hazleton
a son LEVI, August 26

OBITUARIES

Bontrager, Clara, 86, of LaGrange R1, Indiana
died Sunday, August 22, at 2:20 a.m. at her home following a long illness. She was born in LaGrange County November 12, 1884, the daughter of John D. and Sarah (Schrock) Miller. She was married Jan. 16, 1902, to Samuel S. Bontrager, who preceded her in death May of 1965.

Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. John S. Miller and Mrs. Dan Frey, both of Topeka, and Mrs. Moda Miller of Goshen; two brothers, Erwin of Topeka and Edward of Goshen; a son, Paul of Millersburg; a dau., Martha Brady of Akron, Ohio; and 3 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Mahlon Hershberger residence by Bishop Amos N. Miller and Pre. Dan J. Lehman. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

Bontrager, Enos E., 47, of Jamesport, Missouri
died August 9 of cancer (see front page). He was born November 17, 1923. He leaves his wife, Sarah, daughter of Eli Bontragers of Buck Co., Iowa; nine children, Mattie, married to David A. Yoder, Edward, married to Mary Mast, Elizabeth, Clara, Mary Alma, Ida, Lorene, and Eli Jay all at home; also 5 grandchildren; his father, Ed Bontrager of Buck Co., Iowa, and many friends and relatives.

Keim, Dena (Troyer), 97, of Millersburg Star Rt., O.
died early Thursday morning, August 12, at her home following a two-week illness. Preceding in death were her first husband, David M. Troyer, in 1914, and her second husband, Abe Keim, in 1954.

She is survived by 4 sons, Mose Troyer of Millersburg Star Rt., Eli Troyer of Apple Creek R1, Joseph Troyer of Sarasota, Fla., and Levi Troyer of Dundee R2; three daughters, Mrs. Christ (Susan) Wengerd of Millersburg R5, Mrs. Dan (Katie) Swartzentruber of Holmesville, Mrs. Andrew M. (Mary) Weaver of Millersburg Star Rt.; 40 grandchildren; and 122 great-grandchildren. Also, 4 step-sons, Andrew Keim of Millersburg R5, Jacob Keim of Millersburg Star Rt., and Jonas and Steve Keim of Dundee R1; a step-daughter, Mary Schlabach of Fredericksburg R2; two sisters, Mrs. Levi D. Raber of Millersburg R5 and Mrs. Sam S. Yoder of Fredericksburg R1.

Funeral services were held by Pre. Roy Miller; Burial was in Stutzman Cemetery, Salt Creek Twp.

Fisher, Mrs. Omar S. (Emma) 42, Bart, Pennsylvania
died August 30 at Hahnemann Hospital, Phila. (see front page). Born in Leacock Twp., she was a daughter of Mrs. Priscilla (Riehl) Petersheim and the late Christian Petersheim. In addition to her husband and mother, she is survived by three children, Christ P., Ruth P., and Rachel P., all at home. Also surviving are these brothers and sisters, Lizzie, wife of Abner Fisher; Ruth, wife of Amos S. Lapp; Lydia, wife of Benuel Stoltzfus, and Moses Petersheim, all of Bird-in-Hand R1; and Stephen Petersheim, Cochranville, and her grandmother, Mrs. Lizzie Riehl, Fairmount Rest Home, Ephrata R3.

Funeral services were held at the home of Levi Z. Fisher, Georgetown, by Elam Kauffman and Jonas Esh; Hymn read by John Esh of Intercourse, "Komm sterblicher, betrachte mich;" Burial in Bart Cemetery

Fisher, John S. Jr., 24,
133 Buckwalter Rd., Lancaster, Pa.
died Monday, August 2, in St. Joseph's Hospital after a lengthy illness of Diabetes. Born in East Lampeter Twp., he was a son of John S. and Barbara S. (Esh) Fisher. In addition to his parents, at home; he is survived by these brothers and sisters, Jonathan E., Lancaster; Anna E., wife of Reuben Lantz, Gordonville R1; David E., Leola R1; Henry K., Lancaster; Amos, Omar, Salome, Barbara, and Reuben, all at home, and the maternal grandfather, Jonathan Esh, Ronks R1. Burial was in Beiler's Cemetery, Ronks.

Schrock, Levi I., 79, of Topeka R2, Indiana
died Saturday, August 21 in Fairview, Michigan. He was born in Indiana October 22, 1891, the son of Isaac and Anna (Christner) Schrock. He was married December 1916, to Mary Schlabach, who preceded him in death.

Surviving are three sons, Truman of Shipshewana, Amon of Sarasota, Fla., and Raymond of Blackville, S. C., four daughters, Mrs. R. E. (Ella) Yoder of LaGrange, Mrs. Levi (Anna) Yoder of Topeka R2, Mrs. Simon (Lydia) Miller of LaGrange and Mrs. Menno (Fanny) Lambright of Topeka; 36 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren and several brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Daniel A. Miller; Burial was in the Christner Cemetery.

Schwartz, Arlan K., 7 weeks old of Berne R1, Indiana
son of Mr. and Mrs. John K. Schwartz died Aug. 28, after a three week illness. His intestines were paralized. He was in the Adams County Memorial Hospital in Decatur for 8 days, from here he was taken to the Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne where he died. He was there for one week.

Funeral services were held Aug. 29 at the Andy Hilty home. He was born July 6, 1971 to John K. & Anna (Hilty) Schwartz. Surviving beside his parents are his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan M. Schwartz, and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hilty, both of Monroe R1. Burial was in the Schwartz Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, Samuel Z., 64, of Talmage, Penna.
was killed when he was crushed between two piles of lumber while working at the Leola Supply Co., Leola, Monday morning, August 30 (see front page). He was born in Earl Twp., a son of the late John D. and Lizzie B. Zook and was the husband of Malinda (Fisher) Stoltzfus. In addition to his wife, he is survived by five daughters, Annie, wife of Elam Fisher and Mary, wife of David B. Esh, both of Gordonville R1; Rebecca, wife of Elmer Lantz, Gap R1: Miriam, wife of Isaac Stoltzfus, Kinzers R1; and Miss Priscilla Stoltzfus, at home; five sons, Lloyd J., Gordonville R1; John O., Smoketown; and Samuel M., Elmer D. and Melvin, all of Talmage; 42 grandchildren and a great-grandchild. Also surviving are his stepmother, Mrs. Rebecca (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Talmage, eight sisters, Barbara, wife of Jacob Stoltzfus, Ronks R1; Bena, wife of David Glick, and Emma, wife of Stephen Stoltzfus, both of Leola; Katie, wife of Amos M. Stoltzfus, New Holland R1; Sarah, wife of John Glick, Quarryville R3; Lizzie, wife of Enos Beiler, Bird-in-Hand R1; and Mima, wife of Sylvan Stoltzfus, and Mary, wife of Gideon B. Stoltzfus, both of Gordonville R1; and two brothers, Simeon Z., Ronks R1; and Chester Z., Talmage.

Funeral services were held by Sam F. Stoltzfus and John K. Lapp; Hymn was read by Jacob A. King "Mein lebensfaden lauft zum ende." Burial was in Upper Millcreek Cemetery.

Zook, Infant son of Samuel K. and Annie (Stoltzfoos)
Christiana R1, Penna.
was born dead at Osteopathic Hospital, Wed., August 11. Survivors, besides his parents include two brothers and eleven sisters, David, of Paradise R1; and Leroy, at home; Sadie, wife of David Lapp, Gordonville R1; Fannie, wife of Elmer Glick, Gap R1; and Mary, Barbara, Naomi, Anna, Martha, Esther, Emma, Ruth, and Marian, all at home.

Zook, Naomi, infant daughter of Abner S. and
Rachel F. (Stoltzfus) Zook, Gap R1, Pa.
died Thursday, August 5, at home. In addition to her parents, she is survived by these brothers and sisters, Mary, Sarah, Christian, Amos and Rebecca, all at home; the paternal grandfather, Amos K. Zook, Bird-in-Hand R1; and the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron J. Stoltzfus, Gap R1.

BAPTISMS

Arthur, Illinois
Cris Otto North District, August 8
Edna Mae, daughter of Amos and Katie Otto
Lena, daughter of Mrs. Ida Beachey
Carol, daughter of Widower Clarence Stutzman
Sarah Marie, dau. of Dea. and Mrs. Roman Bontrager
Arlene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joni Plank
Ruby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roman Burkholder
Wilma, daughter of Pre. and Mrs. Eli Stutzman

John Hershberger District, August 8
Laverne, son of Dea. and Mrs. Roman Bontrager
(Laverne is a polio victim, walks with braces, and cannot talk much, but was able to make a confession.)
Susanna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harve Schrock
Louella, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harve Schrock

Edward Nisley District, August 8
Nelson, son of Bishop and Mrs. Steve Kaufman
Alta, daughter of Mrs. Jonas Magie Mast

Menno Miller District, August 8
Vera, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob M. Plank
Lorene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Chess

Andy Kaufman District, August 29
Melvin, son of Bishop and Mrs. Andy Kaufman
Harvey, son of Bishop and Mrs. Andy Kaufman

MARRIAGES

Wayne County, Ohio

August 14 – Robert, son of Peter Schrocks and Betty, daughter of Ervin Gingerich

Adams County, Indiana

August 19 – Jake, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hilty, Geneva R2, and Lovina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Graber, Geneva R2.

LaGrange County, Indiana

August 12 – Enos E. Miller (widower) and Fannie Miller, both of Abe A. Yoder District, by Bishop Henry N. Miller

August 26 – Freeman, son of Joe D. and Elizabeth (Bontrager) Frey, and Wilma, daughter of the late Milt J. and Anna (Hochstedler) Lambright

Arthur, Illinois

August 26 – Nelson, son of Bishop and Mrs. Steve Kaufman, and Alta, daughter of Widow Mrs. Jonas Magie Mast

Lancaster Co., Pa. Couples, married 50 years or more
Submitted by David G. Stoltzfus
Aug. 3, 1913–Eli and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Smucker
Nov.27, 1913–Emanuel and Fannie(Stoltzfus)Stoltzfus
Nov.19, 1914–Josiah and Lydia (Smoker) Beiler
Dec.19, 1914–Christ and Cora (Dienner) Lapp
Dec.16, 1915–Simeon and Barbara (Lapp) Beiler
Dec. 7, 1916–Levi and Susie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Dec.21, 1916–Elmer and Mamie (Stoltzfoos)Stoltzfus
Nov.27, 1917–Amos and Lydia (Fisher) Esh
Nov.29, 1917–Levi and Lydia (King) Lapp
Dec. 3, 1917–Moses and Annie (Lapp) Beiler
Nov.19, 1918–Levi and Fannie (King) Stoltzfus
Nov.26, 1918–Stephen & Rachel (Stoltzfus)Stoltzfus
Nov.26, 1918–Aaron and Emma (Stoltzfus)Stoltzfus
Dec. 5, 1918–Elam and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Fisher
Dec. 5, 1918–Jonathan and Katie (Zook) Zook
Dec. 5, 1918–Aquilla and Arie (Lapp) Riehl
Dec.10, 1918–Isaac and Mary (King) Zook
Dec.14, 1918–David and Susan (Stoltzfoos) Allgyer
Nov.18, 1919–Daniel and Sarah (Fisher) Zook
Dec. 4, 1919–John K. and Elizabeth (Smucker) Lapp
Nov.18, 1920–Moses B. and Malinda (Stoltzfus) Zook
Nov.25, 1920–David F. and Sylvia (Smucker) Esh
Dec. 2, 1920–Jacob N. and Rachel (King) Beiler
Dec. 5, 1920–John E. and Sarah (Stoltzfus) King
Dec. 9, 1920–John P. and Amanda (Smoker) Stoltzfus
Dec. 9, 1920–John and Katie (Smoker) Glick
Dec.16, 1920–Aaron and Hannah (Hertzler) Beiler
Dec.30, 1920–Elias and Fannie (Fisher) Beiler

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Lancaster Co., Pa. by Levi L. Stoltzfus

The rainfall in Bareville area for August was 9 inches, some parts of the county had more. For the month of August 1965 we had 9.5 inches. From July 29th to August 4th we had 6.7 inches of rain. Some parts of the county, the Lancaster Intell reported, had 9.74 inches of rain within a weeks time. It was the wettest period here in history.

Market Report: Few choice and prime steers brought $37.00 Cwt.; Stockers and feeders sold from 28.00 to 38.00 Cwt.; Vealers, choice, 53.50 Cwt.; Fat Hogs, 19.00 to 21.00 Cwt.; 40 lb. Shoats, 13.00 to 14.00; at New Holland a load of Canadian Cows sold from 475.00 to 845.00; Egg prices, extra large, .35 doz., large, .31 doz.; Wholesale Potatoes on the farm, 2.50 Cwt.; Hay, 31.50 to 42.00 Ton; Straw, 28.50 to 37.00 Ton; Corn, 1.55 Bu.; Barley, 1.10 Bu.; Oats, .85 Bu.

By Elam S. Beiler

Corn is looking good though some varieties are blighting, some silo filling is being done with blighted corn. Third cutting alfalfa is mostly in now, some was cut as early as the 10th with reports of 100 bales to the acre. Newly seeded alfalfa had a good chance to start. Tobacco cutting started on the 10th, over 50% is cut now. It is pretty heavy again this year with late tobacco somewhat lighter. Is not wilting or curing too good on account of cloudy weather at the present time.

by Ammon F. Fisher

In August we had 11.4 inches of rain. The first two weeks were cloudy with rain, last week was cloudy but no rain. The third week we had a few mornings with middle 40 temperature, made you think fall is just around the corner. Some very good hay making weather. The 26th and 27th we had 6.4 inches rain but not much of it ran off as the creek wasn't over the banks.

Juniata County, Pa. by David Y. Renno

The weather in Juniata Co. during August was normal, with cool nights and warm days. Total rainfall was 3.5 inches. Had no thunder showers all month. The hurricane that went up the coast the 27th hardly reached this far west. We got 1 inch from it while 40 miles east they got 4 inches. Second crop clover hay was unusually heavy this year and corn looks good but shows a little blight. Peaches are a heavy crop but about 2 weeks late in ripening. The farmers have their wheat land plowed and are ready to fill silo.

Snyder County, Pa. by Sam M. Troyer

The first 4 days of this month were wet, we had about 2½ inches of rain. Then it didn't rain much until the 27th when we had a little over an inch. Oats harvest was late because of wet weather. Our oats had lots of Ragweed in it so that we had to shovel it around to keep it from molding. Corn looks very nice, some blight but not much. Lots of fruit, but peaches are selling quite high because of the short southern crop. So we have much to be thankful for.

Centre County, Pa. by Henry F. Beiler

Beginning of July was dry, rains started around the 8th. Showers almost every day the last week of July with about 4 to 5 inches, some areas more and some less. Second cutting alfalfa was short due to dry weather. Wheat was about all thrashed till the 25th. Some oats are on shock and some to cut. Very little thrashed due to wet weather. Corn was coming in tassels the last week of July.

We had rainy weather the first couple days in August. Oats thrashing was delayed till about the 10th. Yield was average, about 50 bushels per acre. Straw was short due to dry weather in spring. Corn crop looks good, not much blight reported in this area. Third cutting alfalfa is ready to cut. It looks better than second crop. We had six tenth inches of rain the last Friday in August.

Mifflin County, Pa. by Catherine Swarey

August was a very pleasant month, many sunny days with cool pleasant nights. Rain the first and last weeks, making a total of 4.3 inches measurable rainfall. Katydids were first heard August 7. Oats is all thrashed, averaging 75 bu. per acre. Corn looks good, silo filling has started. Tomatoes and lima beans are a good crop.

Somerset County, Pa. by Mary A. Kinsinger

August has been a month of quite a bit of nice weather, but also more cool at times already. We also had quite a bit of fog and approximately 6.5 in. of rain. Thrashing is mostly done except the several late ones. The oats has been a fairly good yield with 60 to 100 bu. per acre. Garden things are plentiful on an average.

St. Mary's County, Md. by Amos R. Stoltzfus

August started in wet but dried off plenty much until the 26th in the evening it rained a little. Then the next day til evening it had rained 4½ inches. Not much hot and humid weather in August, mostly very pleasant.

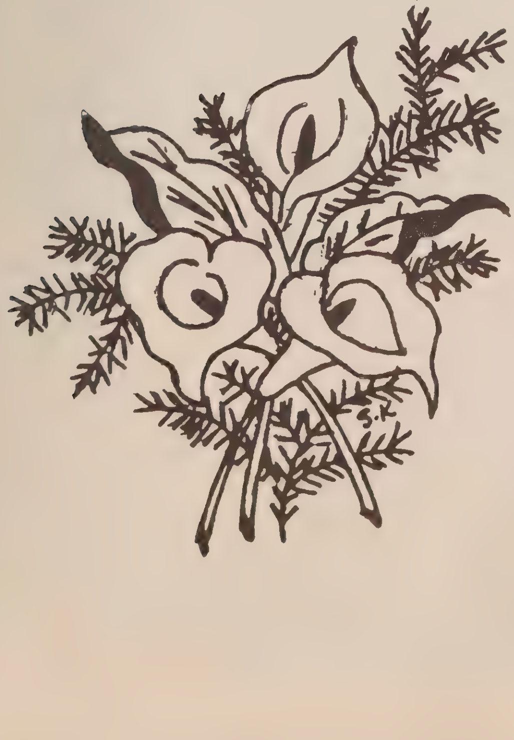
Holmes County, Ohio by David E. Miller

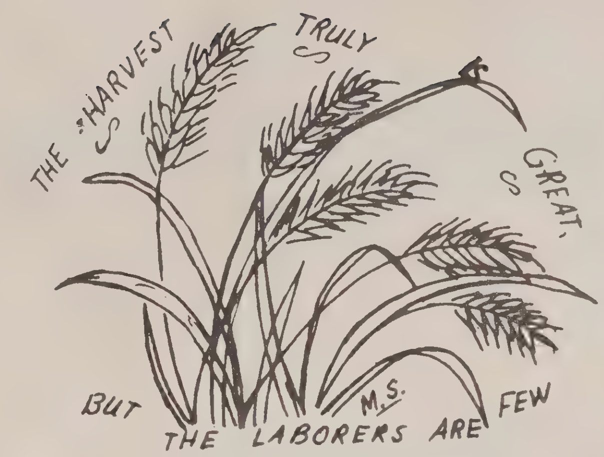
Farmers are finished putting up 2nd and 3rd cutting hay. Some are done plowing for wheat and speltz and some waited for rain as it was dry. But last Saturday evening on the 21st we had 2 inches and better with hail and storm, blew down trees and a couple corn cribs. On Thursday night we had another storm, some hail and over 3 inches rain, some places 4 inches and better which should help the plowing. There are a lot of Homecoming Reunions. We are invited to a Florida Reunion and we intend to go if it's the Lord's will.

Wayne County, Ohio by Ray J. Yoder

August has been cool and dry in our area. Rain was very scattered, with some areas having 2 to 3 in. at a time while other areas had very little. Corn looks good in spite of dry weather. Second crop hay was short and is mostly in the barns. Farmers are plowing and disking for wheat. Saw one fellow in the field with his drill, but couldn't tell what he had in it.

The following is a newspaper clipping entitled, "August May Be Wooster Area's Driest," – Unless The Wooster area gets a worm-drowning rain tonight or tomorrow, August will go down in record books as the driest in history. Thus far the Research Center has recorded only .48 inches in the 30 days of Aug. Only twice before since 1888 has the Research Center book shown less than one inch of August rain. In 1894 there was .76 inches and in 1899, .53 inches of rain fell. The overall August average for the past 83 years shows 3.46 in, for the month in the Wooster area. Some parts of Wayne-Holmes county area have had more than the low Wooster rainfall. Lawns, farm crops, flowers and gardens are all showing the effect of the dry period, although wells and Wooster city water supply have not suffered to the extent that limits have been placed on water use. Advance forecasts for Monday and Tuesday do not give any promise of rain.




THE HARVEST TRULY IS GREAT, BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW
M.S.

Adams County, Indiana by Mary Ann Hilty

The first 15 days of August were considerably colder than normal. Rainfall totaled 2.84 inches, high for the month was 90 degrees on the 10th, low temperature for the month was 47 on the 24th. There were 12 clear days, 16 partly cloudy, 3 cloudy, 3 thunderstorms, and 3 rainy days.

LaGrange County, Indiana by Ervin D. Hochstetler

We had less than 2 inches of rain in August. On the 10th it rained 1.4 inches, which was the most it rained at one time all summer. The nights were cool, but always warmed up in the daytime. Corn is short and most of the lower leaves are dry. Some silos are being filled. Alfalfa and clover that was sowed in the wheat this spring is a very poor crop due to dry weather. Peaches and blueberries are plentiful.

Daviess County, Indiana by Lester Marner

We had very little rain in Aug. Corn isn't showing much blight. Silos are about all full. We had a rain shower on the first and second of September which was greatly appreciated.

Arthur, Illinois by Menno A. Diener

Thrashing oats lasted only about a week, yields were from 50 to 90 bu per acre. Had less than ½ in. rain. Corn looks good but is drying off pretty fast. Beans in general look good but the last few days are drying off pretty fast, a few early have been harvested but yield is low.

Buchanan County, Iowa by Joe A. Yoder

A dry warm month, had one inch rain. Corn is suffering and drying up in spots, on lighter soil, some blight is showing up. Most of the thrashing was done the first of the month. Second cutting hay was put up in good condition, which was a fair crop.

Unſere Geiſtliche Bücher

Lasset das Wort Christi unter euch reichlich wohnen in aller Weisheit; lehret und vermahnet euch selbst mit Psalmen und Lobgesangen und geistlichen Liedern, und singet dem Herren in eurem Herzen. Kolosser 3:16

ANOTHER LOOK AT THE AUSBUND

In recent years many studies were made on the AUSBUND. In our files we have at least a dozen published articles and booklets on the AUSBUND, including the one published this year. In my mind these could all be classed good, and the latter one very good. But they have all failed to make a thorough study of the "vorrede," which is the head of the book, therefore it has not been made clear to us why and by whom these religious hymns have been published. The general theory seems to be that these songs were written and sung by the Sweitzer Brudern in prison at Passau for the church. It is true that a great bulk of these hymns were sung in prison by a number of true believers taken captive for their faith, and this at time of distress as at such times only could the spirit give a deep revelation of the day. But we can in no way affirm the idea that they were written for the church. For one we know that Conrad Grebel, an anabaptist church leader at that time was opposed to all congregational singing. From Conrad Grebel's letters, translated by J. C. Wenger, we will quote just a few points: "We have noticed that you have translated the mass into German, and have begun to use German hymnody. Paul scolds the learned at Corinth more than he praises them, because they chanted in the church services." He goes on with a few more strong points against singing in church, so we will not believe that those written at that time were composed for church service. Since many of the hymns of the AUSBUND could be classified as tagelieder (historic songs) songs of the day telling of the events and unusual occurances worth recording in rhyme, they were meant to be sung and preserved by memory. In this way many of the AUSBUND hymns may have lived for a few decades (1537 – 1564).

In other parts of our, so called, AUSBUND literature we find some minor rash, nothing less than amusing to a person who has lived with the AUSBUND for thirty years. One writer claims that the very first hymn is not at all fitting to the Amish because it extols musical instruments, and that lied No. 64 – 65, "Diss frolich sommerlied," is used at Amish weddings which in his mind always occur in fall or winter. Lets remember that a true hymist is also an artist. He is always painting pictures of something for someone. Most of the pictures of the AUSBUND are twofold. They are focused on eternal life, (which our anabaptist heros hoped for and felt to be near) but also reflecting material life. To a one way minded person this can produce a mixed sentiment, only those who have had fellowship with the AUSBUND can realize its spiritual value and sense its rays of multiple colour.

Another question arises high. Where did the tunes come from? The AUSBUND never needed notes to register its tunes, they are preserved by the spirit. So we will never know for sure who composed the melodies or where they come from. Some writers contribute them to chants that have long been used in Italy by popism, which have a Gregorian origin that may trace back to the eighth or ninth century. If this is true we could ve following tunes of the AUSBUND that are well over a thousand years old. One writer adds that the tunes of the AUSBUND are inappropriate to the Amish because they are borrowed from secular folksongs or even from the Catholics. The latter is probable since we quote from Grebel's letter that he has accused the church for translating the mass in German hymnody. Now at this point let us use a little reasoning. Of the few songs that we know that were written in our time among our people, where did the writer get a tune for his song? In almost every time a tune is developed from open heart, from depth of the soul, from loving memories resulting in a gay song with a gay tune and most hymns have a solemn tune. When our anabaptist songmakers composed hymns, they likewise selected tunes which sprang from their mind, and as they were pioneers in this field they may of had to rely on folksong tunes as is evident from the masthead of some hymns in the AUSBUND. "Es ging ein Fraulein mit dem Krug," "Ich stund an einem Morgen," "Wie Man der Konig in ungern singt," are examples of strictly folksong melodies. But then we can list others such as "Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott, (sung in Germany yet today) "Christi der du bist tag und licht," "Herr Christ der einig Konig," these having a genuine anabaptist faith bearing and could be a translation of the mass, as described by Rudolf Wolkan, "Das wir bei Protestantische lieder finden die oft genug in Catholische gesangbucher ubergingen." But in the writing Wolkan also states that the early Swiss Brethren in contact with the Hutterites were not familiar with Psalm singing but rather they contended to their own Martyr songs and further on he concludes that the Hutterites had, then already, German hymns in custom and it is evident that the Swiss Brethren borrowed from them, tunes for their Martyr hymns. Then there are a few hymn tunes ascribed to an own author such as Jorg Wagner and a few others.

Now to clear up a few points at the beginning of this article we must resort to the vorrede of the AUSBUND. "In diesem buchlein findest du gunstiger leser und sanger fast schone lieder." – The most critical reader and singer will find in this book most beautiful songs.[1] "Die aus der bitte guthhertziger leute zusammen getragen sind" – that the first edition of the AUSBUND itself was compiled due to a request by a certain class of people called "guthhertzige leute." This class of people is frequently spoken about in Swiss Brethren literature, and mentioned in our prayer book, ERNSTHAFTE CHRISTENPFLICHT of which we will quote one example to make this point clear. On page 58 of our prayer book, "Wir bitten dich auch du heilicher gerechter Vater fur alle guthhertziger Menchen die uns barmherzigkeit erzeigen mit speis und trank, mit haus und herberg." By this we believe that these certain people were a class of their own in anabaptist life and that they played an important part in common anabaptist welfare or even to their religion. These people were commonly called "haldtaufer" or halfbaptists by state authorities, because they did not conform to anabaptist religion in whole, but they were often sympathetic to them in ways mentioned in the prayer. When the anabaptists were confined to solitary places and imprisoned by authorities, these people would smuggle food and drink to them, or sometimes they would provide a place of abode for them as a hiding place from their enemies, and yet other times they would give then signals of secret code when they were in danger of anabaptist hunters, by which they could sometimes escape, and in such ways often endangering their own lives. From records of the courts of Berne we find that these halfbaptists frequently made pleas for them at hearings, claiming them to be harmless, law abiding, and tax paying citizens. So we can well understand that the Swiss Brethren often felt duty bound to pray for them. We also find that these people were an outstanding object in the controversy of Jacob Ammon and John Reist. The Ammon Party claimed the Reist People were too lenient with them in taking them into the church, whereas the Reist Party maintained that since they have done so much good to them they could not turn them out.

We have no evidence anywhere to show that the Swiss Brethren in prison sought to write songs that they would have published. Most of the writings of these saints were not to be published until after their death and, as stated before, most of these hymns were probably not written in this time but preserved by memory for a time. At this time anabaptist literature had very little chance to reach the press and if it was printed, its chance to survive was slim. From the Rudolf Wolkan, LIEDER DER WIEDERTAUFER, we gather that many of the anabaptist hymns remained unpublished for a time.[2] From this it is also evident that the majority of these hymns never reached the press and were not preserved.

It is hard to even suggest what faith these guthhertzige leute had or if they were of one faith or body at all. They may have been of a more common class of the land, yet were of higher than average class and their plans and pleas were often considered by ranks of authority. It is very evident that through this middle it was made possible to have these Swiss Brethren hymns printed and published and that in this way the beginning of a sacred hymn book was formed. Just as hard is it to give an answer to what moved these people to collect, compose, print, or publish these hymns. It is evident that they themselves liked them because they call them beautiful hymns. Surely it was a great undertaking, a costly process. We must resort to the idea that the whole matter was directed by a Divine Hand.

One more clause from the vorrede: "Und wiewohl sie nicht einerley religion, ist doch herinnen einem jeden sein gedicht ungeschmaht gelassen, der hoffnung es werde niemand die Schaflein Christi durch lieder oder anders aus seines Vaters hand reissen." – That although they are not of one religion, no ones hymn has been rejected, but hope that through these hymns or in any other way should none on the Christian fold by led astray. This clause does not apply to the first few editions of the AUSBUND, because it consisted of more strictly Swiss Brethren hymns. But as more were added and the volume grew so as by the latter European editions we find many of the latter hymns selected from booklets widely used by Mennonites but not compiled by anabaptists nor Mennonites and some of these of outside ranks. (see p. 129, 1971 VOL. THE DIARY)

Much more could be written on the AUSBUND Vorrede that would make a lengthly column. We are fully convinced that all German hymn singers and especially our AUSBUND vorsinger could benefit by reading the Vorrede at least once.

Joseph F. Beiler

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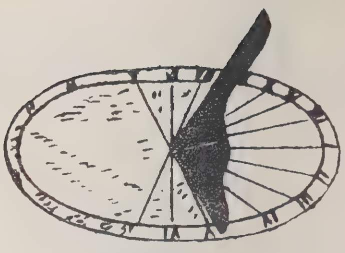
[1] The explanation of this clause was abstracted from the studies of Amos B. Hoover.

[2] Fast ganz unbekannt blieben den zeitgenossen die Geistliche Lieder der taufer. Ein man Christof Erhard war sechs jahre pfarrer in Nickolsburg mitten unter den Hutterern gelebt, er weiss das sie einen grossen mechtigen haufen etliche hundert gescriebne lieder besitzen. Vorrede die LIEDER DER WIEDERTAUFER. Rudolf Wolkan

Die Sonnen Uhr



Ein bericht wie es sich begeben hat das der bahn zwichen die Hausgemein und die Kirchgemein gekommen ist in der Conestoga valley, Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania.

Der Mose Hartz hat ein sohn Mose Welcher sich anfing zu begleden so wie die welt und hat sich nicht bezeiget als ein fruchtbar glied der gemein. Dan ist er eimal und abermal ermanet worden und hat sich nicht heren lassen. Sein Father hat ihm immer etwas beigestanden. Er war ein Diener und Prediger das Worts in der Gemein. Die Gemein hat sich dulden lassen mit seinem sohn bei hahe drei yahre lang. Er ist nicht mehr in die Gemein gekommen. Er war ein traveling agent fur ein Milling company. Die Gemein hat es nicht langer dulden wollen oni das er teht sich erzeigen mit den werken als ein fruchtbar glied. Dan hat er sich wollen anschliesen in die Kirchgemein. Sie aber haben ihn nicht wollen annehman mit seinem Amt (traveling Agent). Die Gemein aber het ihn los gelassen wen sie ihn hetten angenommen. Dan hat die Gemein das (18 Matt.) gebraucht um die Gemein rein behalten und haben ihn mit raht der Gemein der bahn angesagt den 21st April, 1895 ist das geschen. Sein Father Mose hat aber nicht helfen wollen. Er hat gesagt er teht die Meidung nicht halten an seinem sohn Mose. Die Gemein hat angehalten er solte sich doch recht besinnen und seinen sohn Meiden aus liebe fur seine seel. Die Meidung ist nicht fur beses sondern gutes zu schaffen, das sie ihre schande sehen und sich bessern (2 Tim. 3–5) (Titus 3–10). Dan aber hat die Gemein zu schaffen gehabt mit ihre Diener, der Father fom gebahnten sohn. Sie hat sehr angehalten fur der Diener Mose, aber er war sehr halstarg und hat bekennt er hat nicht im sinn fur die Meidung zu halten an seinem sohn. Dan hat die Gemein drei Diener fodern lassen, Nemlich, Henry Stoltzfus, Benjamin Lantz, und Benjamin Fisher, um die sach zu unter suchen. Sie haben ihn fiel zeit gegeben, er solte doch die Meidung halten an seinem sohn. Aber er ist eifrich geworden und ist aus der gemein und heim geloffen, und ist nicht Mehr regular in die Gemein gekommen. Dan haben die ihm seinen dienst abgesagt- Dan ist er in das Gemeinhaus gegangen und zu die Menisten. Die Diener wo gefodert sind worden, sind zu sein haus gegangen und haben wiederum angehalten er solte doch in die gemein kommen sonst folgt der bahn gleich wie seinem sohn. Aber er hat sich nicht sagen lassen, ihn und sein weib. Das hat die Gemein sehr leid getahn um ihrer Diener. Er war ein beredter man und war sehr streng in solche sachen bis es an sein sohn Kommen ist dan wolte er nichts tuhn (er hat den Jacob Beiler den bahn angesagt, oder hat geholfen ihn in den bahn tuhn, er ist fort gegangen und sich der welt gleich gestelt). Das anhalten um aufzugeben an diesem alten Diener Mose hat nicht geholfen, er und sein weib han gesagt sie halten die Meidung Nicht an ihrem sohn Mose, dan ist der bahn gefolgt gleich wie ihrem sohn. Das ist geschen den 12 July, 1896, dan sind sie in das gemein haus gegangen. Sie haben sie so angenommen durch John Mast, one die Meidung zu halten. Diesem herbst, 1896 dan war selle gemein unzufrieden Nemlich Gideon Stoltzfus, ihrer Bishop und Andre Bruder, und haben Diener gefodert fon der west, Nemlich Fred Mast und Andre, und dan hat ihre ganze Gemein ein feler bekennt dieweil sie das Moses hen angenommen one ein Bishop. Die Bishops fon der west han sie doch so angenommen, hehmlich die Meidung Nicht zu halten an ihrem sohn Mose und er hat die straf nicht angenommen welche ihnen aufer legt war Die fon der gemein wo sie in den bahn getahn haben. Die Meidung wurde eine zeitlang aufgelassen aber es hat nicht wollen gehen dieweil sie Nicht aus ihre straf sind aufgenommen worden. So Noch dem wort zu leben hat es nicht erlaubt um sie nicht zu meiden dieweil ihre sohn in der Meidung Klar stand. Dies ist die wurizel fon der Meidung Noch Meinen geringen gedanken.

In der zwischen zeit sind das Jacob Hartze (ein sohn fon Mose) in das Gemeinhaus gegangen. Sie siemen immer Zufrieden sein in der Gemein wo sie fer lassen haben in die oben gemeldteten begebenheiten und sind mit gegangen zum Nachtmal. Dan hat die gemein sie losgegeben und sie sind in das Gemeinhaus gegangen. Sie sind los gelassen worden den 16 April, 1897. Speter ist die Meidung eingesetzt worden wen jemand in das Gemeinhaus geht, dem solte den bahn angesagt werden.

Geschrieben fon Amos J. Stoltzfus, Elverson, Pa.

Editorial Noten – Hiemit wollen wir einst diese wahre geschicht erklaren. Der schreiber von der geschicht war zu der zeit noch ein gar junger man (vielleicht vier und zwanzig jahr olt) war doch schon ein bruder in der Gemein zu der gegend da es wurglich geschegen ist, und dieweil er selber im rath der gemein zuhort, hat er hernach ein manchmal megen diese geschicht richtig und mit gross eifer erzahlen. Doch had er ebenso noch vor sein alter dises schrift vorschrieben und in druck kommen lassen fur deine glaubensgenossenen und nachkommenen wohl zu betrachten. (Ich hab der bruder in meiner jungend besucht und war mit ihm persohnlich wool bekannt.) Er war ein liebhaber Gottes Wort, so liebte er auch die Gemein, destomehr hat er aus lauter liebe das schreiben uns geben darfen als ein denkmal zu uns an seinen Glauben, zu erzeihen dasz Gottes Wort heitiges tages noch so vest staht als es am anfang war, und dasz der Gemein durich daselbst musz regiert werden bis ans ende.

von Joseph F. Beiler

Das Herren Furcht ist Anfang zu Lernen.

Die Zeit ist wieder da für die Kinder in die Schule zu gehen. O! daß sie den richtig anfang lernen zu die Christliche Weisheit. Sie gehen in die Schule zu lernen lesen, schreiben und rechnen.

Aber es sind noch viel wichtig und tiefere Sachen zu lernen. Sie müssen lernen mit einander schaffen und spielen, einander zu vergeben und vertragen. Ja daß sie vernehmen daß einigkeit Kraft hat und mit einander arbeiten Frucht bringt. In dem lernen sie aufrichtig und ehrlich leben in aller Selbstachtung.

Wir wollen die Lehrer auch nicht vergessen denn sie tragen ein schwerer beruf. Las uns alle zusammen stehen und sie alles helfen als moglich. Mit Worten und Werken, mit pflegen und Beten daß es alles geschehe zu Gottes Ehre und auferbauen Seine Gemeine.

The Hour Glass

From Out of the Past

reprints from THE WEEKLY BUDGET

August 15, 1895

Mt. Ayr, Indiana, Aug. 8 – As I have not seen any news in your paper from this place, I concluded a few lines would be interesting.

Weather is fair

Prospects are favorable for a heavy crop of corn. Oats about half a crop; wheat and rye are very poor; apples and pears are a fair yield.

Samuel Yoder and wife and Jacob D. Smucker and wife, of Marshall Co., are visiting here.

Ben Y. Miller and wife, formerly of this place, but now of Fayette Cp., Illinois, made a flying trip through here. They returned home to-day.

Peter Thomas and wife, of McPherson county, Kan., are here visiting their many friends.

Quite a number of farmers have sold their farms and intend to move to Mississippi.

Isaac Chupp and wife started for Marshall Co. to-day on a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Yoder are visiting in Douglas and Moultrie counties, Illinois. B. & O

From the Northwest

Adrain, Minnesota, Aug. 6 – The weather had been unusually warm and dry the past few weeks, but to-day we had a light rain.

Wheat and oats are all cut and make a good yield.

M. J. Slabaugh had been on the sick list for a few days but has about recovered.

Daniel Jantzi's new house id ready for the plasterers.

Menno Bosert, of Thurman, Colorado, was in our midst a few weeks ago, and expects to make Nobles county his home as soon as he can.

John Nofziger and wife, of Canada, expect to be here by the first of September.

John Tkrutach, of Holt county, Nebraska, has been here the past few days, looking for a location.

Daniel Jantzi

Letter From Kansas

Haven, Kansas, Aug. 2 – We have nice growing weather.

We had a good soaking rain to-day, which will spoil a great many nubbins. Corn will yield a fair crop; oats yields from 20 to 40 bu. and wheat from 8 to 20 bu. per acre.

Yoder & Miller's new threshing machines are doing good work. They have now four separators and two engines.

Noah Helmuth and wife, of Partridge, Joni Shrock and wife and Mrs. John Shrock, of McPherson county, spent Sunday with friends in this community.

Peter Shrock is hauling lumber for his new barn. Jacob and Noah J. Yoder, of Partridge, will do the carpenter work.

M. K. and R. Z. Yoder, of Oklahoma, have again returned to the "Sunflower" state.

An infant son of Joni J. Miller died yesterday, and buried to-day. Services by J. D. Borntrager.

Apples are plentiful and are selling at 25¢ per bushel. D. M. Yoder

FROM THE FAR WEST

Needy, Oregon, July 29 – Editor Budget: – A few brief notes in regard to a pleasant trip to Little Nastucca bay may be of interest to some of the readers of your worthy paper.

A party of five left their homes on the morning of July 11th for the coast. In the party were G. A. Kinzer, wife and two daughters and the writer. We left Hubbard about 9 o'clock with our prairie schooner, took the wagon road west to St. Paul, where we see lots of nice wheat, oats and hop fields. The grain is nearly ready for the harvesters. About one mile from St. Paul we stopped under a large oak tree and took a good dinner. Starting out again we soon crossed the Willamette river at Glen's ferry and follow up the river for quite a distance. It is very warm and we drive through timber so thick and tall that no breeze touches us. The roads are very rough here, but after emerging from the timber the roads become better and it is more pleasant to drive. We soon come to Dayton, nice little town. Here is an open grave in the cemetery, the bell is tolling, the solemn funeral procession passes through the streets. The grave was for a little girl about 12 years old; six of her schoolmates acted as pall bearers. Here we turn towards the south and crops are not as good, and there is much "French pink" in the grain. Here the roads are nice; we meet some Indians who had been to the mountains; you bet they were copper colored. There was a pair of loving ones among them; they were beauties. We are now nearing the mountains; they have a fine country and nice gardens, fruit orchards and hop yards.

We leave Amity to our left; here they had a picnic and we saw the balloon go up; it was a surprise to us and a nice sight. The next town on our route was Bellview, but we drive on about one mile further, where we encamp for the night. We build a fire and cook our first meal on the camp fire, and tastes pretty good after riding 40 miles. The ground serves as a bed for some of our party, and it is so hard that we get up at 2 o'clock and begin preparing for an early start. By sunrise we are on the way and reach Sheridan before the stores were open. Here the country becomes more broken; it seems all the time that we are just at the foot of the mountains, but they are yet a great ways off. There is not much grain raised here; mostly hay. The inhabitants are nearly all French and Indians; they have very scanty looking homes.

We now reach a little mountain town, called Willamina. Here we again come to a river and follow it for 22 miles. It is becoming more and more mountainous and we follow on up the river. Leaving the river to the left we reach Grand Ronde agency, where the Indians have their schools. We drive through timber that the sun never shines through. It is noon and we stopped for lunch. We have now reached the summit of the Coast Range mountains at last and now it is nothing but up and down hill. We arrive at Dolph about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. This is the last town we get to. Here are located the toll gates and we have to pay $1 before we can pass through. We now strike the Little Nastucca river with mountains high on either side. We encamp on the river, seven miles from the bay. A few of the party go fishing, while the rest prepare supper, but they do not have very good luck and soon return to get supper; we then retire for our night's rest, for the first time in the tent, where we had a refreshing sleep. In the morning we continue the journey and reach our destination at 10 o'clock. After pitching our tent we get dinner then we go down to the bay and spend the afternoon in watching the waves of the fierce old ocean rolling in. On Sunday we went to the clam beds and got a fine lot of clams; we then started out in a boat. We caught three Flounder fish and then pulled tor our tent. We also went bathing and all enjoyed our trip very much. I think it is very healthy to camp out, at least it improved my appetite very much. Eleven nights we had been from home and did not sleep in a house during that time.

This leaves us all in good health.

Mrs. J. L. K.

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SOUTHERN NOTES

Oakland, Maryland, August 21. — Weather cool and pleasant, but very dry.

Corn and buckwheat is suffering for want of rain.

Oats mostly cut and makes a splendid yield.

Solomon Slabach and brother were to Somerset county Pennsylvania, on business last week.

Rev. Daniel Beachy and wife, of Arthur, Illinois, had been in our midst, a few weeks. Rev. Beachy held service at the residence of Daniel Soelders, on the 11th.

Benjamin Shrock, of Preston, West Virginia, is seriously ill with consumption.

L. M. Beachy, of Somerset County, Pennsylvania is in our midst.

Jonas C. Petersheim wears a smile since that little boy came to his home.

Health is good in this locality.

D. C. SCHLABACH

LETTER FROM KANSAS

Haven, Kansas, August 22 — Nice but dry weather.

Farmers are busy plowing and preparing their ground for seeding.

David D. Yoder and wife of McPherson county, spent Sunday among friends in this community.

P. T. Shrock's new barn is up and under roof.

L. J. Stutzman is the happy father of a young dishwasher. The family of A. D. Nisley has also been increased by the arrival of a young daughter.

Jack Hazlet started to-day for Mifflin county, Pa., where he will make a short visit with friends.

Daniel J. Borntrager and wife, who had been visiting friends in Ind., Iowa and North Dakota, during the last three months, returned home yesterday, accompanied by John Bender and wife, of Iowa.

D. D. Nisley, of McPherson County, was in our midst to-day, on business.

C. F. Miller bought a new corn sheller and intends to shell corn next winter.

Peaches are ripe and are selling at from 40 cts. to $1 per bushel.

This leaves us all well. D. M. YODER

Branch Plantation in N. C.

The proposed German colony is a great swamp land on a high elevation and has magnificent future when settled up with our people; it will build up into a rich, God-fearing, prosperous people, for the natural advantages of the land are almost incredible.

There is no better paying land in the world today. Young men in health, old men in poor health, women who love fruit, garden truck flowers etc., should see this country. 18,000 of as fertile soil as the sun ever shone upon; only waiting for sturdy hands to transfer them into prosperous and happy homes. A climate where you have twelve months summer, fall and spring; no blizzards, no storms, A climate and atmosphere that gives health and vigor to all, good water and the finest timber in the world. The great ocean, purified by its ceaseless activity, is the source of healthfulness of this charming section, and keeps an even temperature, summer and winter.

Under the ground is manure; close by is one of the most beautiful rivers and sound or inlet of the ocean, full of all kinds of fish and oysters, and furnishes cheap transportation to the markets of the world. Lands in a short time will double in value. This land has never changed hands since it was bought from the government, thus assuring absolute good title. It is surveyed so it can be bought by meets and bounds to suit purchasers. A hundred acres is all a man can cultivate, as you raise two and three crops a year.

The people who are there now will none of them own or live on this land, unless hired to do so. There are some colored and some white people there now, but none who would be in the least objectionable. There are some near by who are very desirable neighbors, while others, who are not so thrifty, but honest and inoffensive. None of our people need fear hesitate to go there on account of their neighbors as they will find them unobjectionable. We will have plenty of our own people as neighbors.

We are now in communication with Amish people in Tuscarawas, Holmes, Wayne and Geauga counties, Ohio; many in Northern Indiana, Western Kansas, Iowa, add 12 families in Nabraska. In our next letter we will give the names of some of these people. You will be pleased to know who all are going to North Carolina.

We have now heard from enough communities that we are justified in saying to our friends "WE ARE GOING" to North Carolina. On the 2nd of October we will run an excursion from Ohio, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska. Let every church or community select one man to go and see this land, and if they report it favorable then get ready and move with your family.

For any information write to Hon. S. S. Yoder, Room 76, Loan & Trust Bldg., Washington D. C.

S. S. YODER

P. S. – Dr. At. T. Miller, of Shanesville, and S. S. Yoder of Washington, will move to N. C., along with our people and make it their future home, and help the people all they can.

ILLINOIS NEWS ITEMS

Brownstown, Illinois, Aug. 22. – I will now let the readers of the Budget know of my whereabouts. I am at the home of A. C. Miller, 4 miles northwest of Brownstown, but expect to leave tomorrow for Douglas and Moultrie counties, where I expect to remain a few weeks and then return to this locality. I had not been around very much yet, having done some work on A. C. Miller's new house, the second story of which is ready for plastering

The wheat crop in this county was poor, as was also hay; oats are a little better but not an average crop; corn will make a fair crop where the bugs did not destroy it; potatoes will make a fair yield.

Apples, wild plums and chinch bugs are more than an average crop.

A number of strangers had been in this community lately; among them were John Plank and wife, of Iowa; Anna and Mary Yoder, John Marner and family and Jonas Kaufman and wife, of Douglas county; Jacob and Valentine Gingerich, of Daviess county, Indiana; some of these people intend to locate here. There are also two brothers here by the name of Ropp from Woodford county. They expect to locate here, one of them having bought a farm southwest of Brownstown.

Rev. William Miller and wife, of Iowa, who had been here on a short visit, left yesterday for Daviess county, Indiana, and after a week's visit will continue their trip to Pennsylvania.

On last Monday a week ago A.C. Miller and family J. A. Miller and family, and the writer went in the river bottom to hunt and fish. I will not make a fish story about it, as it was not a good day.

Samuel Troyer made a business trip to Elkhart county, Indiana, week before last.

Daniel Baer, of Tuscarwas Co., Ohio, had been in this community on a visit. He left on Monday for Missouri, and returned to-day.

To-morrow A. C. Miller will start for Ohio on a business trip, accompanied by Daniel Baer.

MOSES I. HOCHSTETLER

August 22, 1895

BERLIN LOCALS

Warm and dry weather.

The thermometer stands at 99 in the shade.

We had a good shower of rain on last Tuesday evening.

Corn looks promising for a good crop, but needs more rain.

Wheat yields from 12 to 28 bu. to the acre. Oats are a fair crop.

Samuel Schlabach and Elmer Wilhelm are putting up a cider mill at the brick and tile works, near South Bunker Hill. They expect to commence making cider this week.

Many farmers in this community are burning lime.

Rev. Jacob Byler and wife, of Lawrence county, Pa., have been in our midst visiting friends. Rev. Byler conducted services at the residence of Daniel I Miller.

Moses T. Miller had been on the sick list for some time, but we are glad to see him on the road again.

Our blacksmith missed a day's work on account of that little apprentice that came to stay at his home.

Aug. 13th

S. SUMMY

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

THE RIEHL FAMILY

The family of John and Levina (Yoder) Riehl will be continued from last month. You will notice this month will start with Joel and Elizabeth (Byler) Riehl, this being the same Joel Riehl as appeared last month on Family Record No. 3, that being his first marriage, with Anna Lantz, a daughter of Samuel and Magdalena (Fisher) Lantz, his second wife was Elizabeth Byler of Mifflin County, Pa. You will also notice that the oldest son of Joel Riehl was Elias B. Riehl the writer of these Family Records.

RECORD NO. 6

FAMILY RECORD

OF

JOEL RIEHL AND ELIZABETH BYLER

BORN December 11, 1820 AT Mifflin County, Pa.
MARRIED March 22, 1855 AT East Buffalo Township Union Co. Pa. BY Rev. Elias Riehl
DIED April 12, 1896 AT E. Buf. Twp. Union Co., Pa.
AGED 75 YEARS, 4 MONTHS, 1 DAYS.
SEE RECORD NO. 1

BORN July 6, 1827 AT Mifflin County, Pa.
DIED April 11, 1908 AT Champaign Co. Ohio
AGED 80 YEARS, 9 MONTHS, 5 DAYS.
SEE RECORD NO.

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER
Elias B.	December 22, 1855	Buffalo Twp. Union Co. Pa.		Menno Simon.	January 21, 1863	East Buffalo Twp. Union Co. Pa.	
Sallie Kaufman.	March 15, 1857	East Buf. " " "		Ezra Joel.	November 25, 1866	" " " "	
Lizzie B.	June 26, 1858	" " " "		Anna Malinda.	February 26, 1868	" " " "	
Frances.	April 17, 1860	" " " "		Kate Levina.	October 8, 1869	" " " "	

MARRIAGES.

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NUMBER
Sallie Kaufman.	January 15, 1885	Home - E. Buf. Twp.	Samuel S. Starook	Mifflin County Pa.	Rev. Elias Riehl, ass't by Rev. Thomas Graybill.	13
Lizzie B.	" "	" "	Jonas Hooley	Champaign Co. Ohio	Do.	14
Elias B.	December 22, 1885	Luth. Parsonage, Lewisburg, Pa.	Jennie S. Rhodes	Kelly Twp. Union Co. Pa.	Rev. E. H. Leisenring	12
Kate Levina.	January 1, 1889	Res. of Rev. John Beaver	Ezra B. Kaufman	Champaign Co. Ohio.	Rev. John Beaver	16
Ezra Joel.	March 24, 1891.	M. E. Parsonage, Sunbury, Pa.	Verdilla Landis	Snyder County, Pa.	Rev. W. D. Ganoe	15

DEATHS.

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS.	AGED MO.	AGED DS.	INTERMENT AT
Menno Simon	February 18, 1865	E. Buffalo Twp. Union Co. Pa.	Croup	2	0	28	Byler Graveyard - Buf. Twp.
Anna Malinda.	May 11, 1868	" "			2	15	" "
Frances	May 1, 1869.	" "	Convulsions	9	0	14	" "
Kate Levina - Kaufman	August 29, 1897	Champaign Co., O.		27	10	21	Hooley Graveyard - Champaign Co. O.
Sallie K. Starook	Sept. 12, 1918.	East ~~Buf.~~ Twp. Union Co. Pa.					Byler " Buf. Twp.

RECORD NO. 7

FAMILY RECORD

OF

ANDREW MILLER AND FANNY RIEHL

BORN February 5, 1829, AT Lancaster County, Pa. — BORN May 22, 1830, AT Mifflin County, Pa.

MARRIED January 16, 1853, AT Lancaster County, Pa. BY Rev. David Byler

DIED Apr. 20, 1917, AT Tulare County, Cal. — DIED September 16, 1911, AT Harvey County, Kansas

AGED 88 YEARS, 2 MONTHS, 15 DAYS. — AGED 81 YEARS, 3 MONTHS, 25 DAYS.

SEE RECORD NO. — SEE RECORD NO. 1

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER
John	October 16, 1853	Long Green, Baltimore Co, Md.					
Moses R.	September 4, 1856	" " "					
Rebecca	December 22, 1860	" " "					
Joseph R.	August 2, 1868	" " "					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NUMBER
Rebecca	December 30, 1886	Lyon County, Kansas	Ezra King	Coffee County, Kansas	Rev. John P. King	28
Moses R.	January 1888	Cass County, Missouri	Rebecca King	Lyon County, Kansas	" Jacob Kenagy	36
Joseph R.	January 1, 1895	Holden, Johnson Co., Mo.	Lizzie S. Gingerich	Holden, Johnson Co., Mo.	" John J. Hartzler	29

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS.	AGED MO.	AGED DS.	INTERMENT AT
John	November 13, 1853	Baltimore County, Md.				20	Baltimore County, Maryland
Moses R.	June 23, 1890	Holden, Johnson Co. Mo.	Broken back, by a fall from a tree	33	9	19	Johnson County, Missouri

RECORD NO. 8

FAMILY RECORD

OF

SAMUEL KENNEL AND **ELISABETH RIEHL**

BORN June 11, 1831 AT Lancaster County, Pa.

MARRIED March 4, 1855 AT Baltimore County, Maryland BY Bishop Solomon Yoder

DIED November 14, 1912 AT Kelly Township, Union Co., Pa.

AGED 81 YEARS, 5 MONTHS, 3 DAYS.

SEE RECORD NO.

BORN May 22, 1830 AT Mifflin County, Pa.

DIED June 3, 1895 AT Kelly Township, Union Co., Pa.

AGED 65 YEARS, — MONTHS, 11 DAYS.

SEE RECORD NO. 1

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER
John R. Kennel	November 22, 1857	Baltimore County, Md.		Fanny M. Kennel	June 16, 1866	Baltimore County, Md.	
Joseph Kennel	August 7, 1859	" " "		David W. "	July 31, 1868	" " "	
Elias R. "	December 29, 1860	" " "		Amos N. "	July 12, 1871.	East Buffalo Twp, Union Co, Pa.	
Joel Y. "	October 7, 1862	" " "					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NUMBER
John R. Kennel	December 24, 1878	Gordonville, Lancaster Co. Pa.	Sarah Diener	Lancaster County, Pa.	Pre. John P. Mast.	10
Elias R. "	December 22, 1885	Near Hartford, Lyon Co, Kan.	Susan H. Stoltzfus	Formerly, Union County, Pa. Now Lyon County, Kansas	Rev. Benjamin Eicher	23
Joel Y. "	February 28, 1889		Catharine Mann			

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS	AGED MO	AGED DS	INTERMENT AT
Joseph	September 2, 1860	Baltimore County, Md.		1	—	26	

RECORD NO. 9

FAMILY RECORD

JOSEPH ZOOK OF AND SALLIE KURTZ

BORN May 29, 1845 AT Wayne Twp. Wayne Co. Ohio. BORN February 14, 1851 AT Mifflin County, Pa.

MARRIED January 1, 1874 AT Residence of John Stoltzfus, Union County Pa BY Rev Elias Riehl

DIED Oct. 7, 1918 AT Warwick County Virginia. DIED ______ AT ______

AGED 73 YEARS, 5 MONTHS, 8 DAYS AGED ___ YEARS, ___ MONTHS, ___ DAYS.

SEE RECORD NO. ____ SEE RECORD NO. 4

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	RECORD NUMBER	NAME	BORN	AT	RECORD NUMBER
Amos D.	February 9, 1875	Union County, Pa.		Hannah C.	February 23, 1885	Union County, Pa	
Rufus,	July 8, 1876	" "		John E.	September 28, 1891	" "	
Menno P.	December 30, 1878	" "					
Abraham,	July 18, 1882	" "					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NUMBER
Amos D.	November	Manson, Iowa,	Emma N. Zehr,	Manson, Iowa,	Rev. D. D. Zehr.	

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS	AGED MO	AGED DS	INTERMENT AT
Rufus	September 13, 1883	Union County, Pa.	Diphtheria,	7	1	15	Byler Graveyard, Union Co. Pa.
Abraham,	January 27, 1884	" "	Membranous Croup.	1	6	9	" "

RECORD No. 10

FAMILY RECORD

OF

JOHN R. KENNEL AND SARAH DIENER

BORN November 22, 1857 AT Baltimore County, Md. — BORN July 18, 1852, AT Lancaster County, Pa.

MARRIED December 24, 1878 AT Gordanville, Lancaster County, Pa. BY John P. Mast

DIED ______ AT ______ — DIED ______ AT ______

AGED ___ YEARS, ___ MONTHS, ___ DAYS. — AGED ___ YEARS, ___ MONTHS, ___ DAYS.

SEE RECORD No. 8 — SEE RECORD No. ___

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER
Katie E.	November 6, 1881	Buenavista, Lancaster County, Pa		John E.	May 12, 1890	Buenavista, Lancaster County, Pa.	
Ada E.	December 20, 1883	" " "		S. Alta	September 25, 1894	" " "	
Christ D.	August 9, 1885	" " "					
Samuel H.	September 29, 1888	" " "					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NUMBER
Ada E.	February 25, 1904	Buenavista, Lancaster Co. Pa.	David Mast	Millersburg, Ohio.	Pre. Gideon Stoltzfus	31
Katie E.	February 3, 1909	" " "	John E. Yost	Intercourse, Lancaster Co. Pa.	" " "	32
Christ. D.	November 11, 1909	Philadelphia, Pa.	Lizzie Fisher	Ronk's, " " "	Rev. N. B. Grub.	33
John E.	July 2, 1910.	Gap, Lancaster Co. Pa.	Annie M. Summers	Gap, " " "	C. M. Brackbill.	34
Samuel H.	April 22, 1911.	Shelbyville, Illinois.	Emma E. Eash	Shelbyville, Illinois.	Peter Zimmerman	35

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS	AGED MO.	AGED DS	INTERMENT AT

AN AMISH FUNERAL

Written for the Telegraph

by Dr. Charles Marlin Steese

Between the years 1835 and 1845 a number of Amish families migrated from Lancaster Co., Pa. to Buffalo Valley. Members of the Stoltzfus, Lantz, Esh, Beiler, Leister, Swartz, Glick, Kurtz, Yoder, and Kauffman families who had previously settled in Lancaster Co. pushed northward to make homes in Buffalo and Big Valleys. Today, this sect is still prominent in Big Valley, Mifflin Co., but those who came to Buffalo Valley have either all moved else where or have lost their identity by intermarriage outside of their church. These Amish people all spoke Penna. German and their habits and customs have been the subject of many interesting publications.

Of more than ordinary interest are their funeral customs. The story we will relate was often told by the late Andrew Katherman who served for many years as an undertaker in Mifflinburg. He, in turn, had heard the story when a young man serving his apprenticeship with the undertaker who figures in this tale.

About 1836 one of the young Amish settlers who had come to Buffalo Balley by the name of Shem Esh married a beautiful young lady of the same faith, the daughter of one of his neighbors. They immediately went to housekeeping in the newly constructed home which Esh had prepared in anticipation of his marriage. This house is said to have been along the creek below Buffalo Crossroads and was on a fine farm with soil that was easily tillable.

The young couple were not satisfied with the fields which were already in cultivation, but immediately after their wedding they began to work in the clearing of additional land. This was not an easy matter in those days, when dynamite was unknown. In clearing the land the trees were first cut down, sawed up, and taken away. Then the stumps and stones were dug out by hand, it was a long and tidius process without the aid of modern machinery. But in the case of Esh and his bride it was a "Labor of Love." They worked side by side in the fields day after day, and took great pride in the land which they were clearing for cultivation.

One day while they were working, prying up and rolling away large stones, the young bride was bitten by a copperhead snake. Dropping his work at once, Esh placed her on the back of his horse and galloped to the nearest doctor, who lived at Buffalo Crossroads. The wound was treated in the best manner known at that time, and Esh went home with his sick wife. That night she developed a high fever, and the anxious husband went on horseback for the doctor. The Medical man and the husband worked all night with their patient, but in vain. She died just as the morning light was breaking.

The agonized husband called in a neighbor and then rode to Lewisbourg to see the undertaker and to make the funeral arrangements. In those days it was the custom to either bury the dead the following day or to preserve the body by freezing for a later burial. Esh quickly informed the undertaker what he wanted saying that the funeral must be held according to the custom of "unser sait leit" (our kind of people). This meant an unvarnished coffin, with plain cloth lining, no flowers, and no crepe on the door. The body was to be dressed in all white, including the dress, apron, shawl, and prayer cap.

The funeral was held the following day and was conducted at the husband's home. The service, including the sermon was in the German language. After the service a meal was served to the mourners and then they proceded to the graveyard. In view of the fact that this was probably the first Amish death since the migration none of their own several graveyards (established later and still in existence) had been opened. Esh therefore buried his bride in the private graveyard on the John Sierer farm nearby. Here the mourners gathered at the grave and the coffin was lowered while the minister read a hymn. Then all joined in the Lord's Prayer following which they stood silently by until the grave was filled in.

Whether the grieving husband ever remarried is not known. His own death occured in 1939 and he is buried by the side of his wife. The tombstone of Shem Esh can still be seen in the little private cemetary, but that of his wife has long since crumpled.

submitted by Amos B. Hoover

NOTE – Who was this Shem Esh? We know that the progenitor of many Amish in Lancaster Co., Shem Esh was born March 15, 1806 and died May 7, 1830, age 33 yrs., 1 mo., 22 days. In the year 1828, he was married to Mattie Riehl, born April 25, 1799, died Nov. 4, 1881, age 82 yrs, 6 mo., 9 days. Was there another Shem Esh living in Buffalo Valley or is the name fictitious? The date of death in this article is given as 1939 and yet he was marriageable age in 1836. Is this possible?

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PA. GIRL CRUSHED BENEATH WAGON WHEELS

Betty Elizabeth, five-year-old daughter of Daniel and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Blank, Narvon R2, Pennsylvania died instantly from massive skull fracture and a fractured neck. She fell from a two-wheel cart and was crushed to death beneath the wheels of a hay wagon being pulled by the cart on her father's farm Wed., September 15 about 6:30 p.m. The child was driving a team of mules hitched to the two-wheel cart, on which she was riding. Attached to the rear of the cart, in trailer fashion, was a wagon load of hay, on which her 16 year-old sister, Amanda was riding. The mules bolted and the child was thrown backward off the cart and under a wheel of the hay wagon behind.

Surviving besides her parents are two sisters and two brothers: Amanda, Barbara, Paul and Amos, at home; and grandparents, Amos E. and Suvilla Stoltzfus Elverson R2, and Lizzie E. Blank, New Providence. Funeral services were held by Samuel M. Stoltzfus, and Bishop Elam Kauffman; Hymn was read by Joseph Blank. Burial was in Stoltzfus Cemetery.

ARTHUR, ILL., DEATHS

Katiean, wife of Eli D. Yoder, died Sept. 14, at the age of 75 yrs., 4 mos., and 24 days. She had not been well for some time with heart ailment. She was the daughter of Levi J. and Sovilla (Miller) Mast. She married Eli D. Yoder on January 8, 1918. He and six daughters and four sons survive.

Menno J. Miller, son of Jake and Emma (Gingerich) Miller, died Sept. 25. He lingered over a year after an operation for cancer on the lower jaw. His age was 62 yrs., 2 mos., and 15 days. He was married to Sarah Burkholder and leaves his wife, five sons and four daughters.

BUCHANAN CO. IOWA GIRL KILLED BY CAR

Ada, daughter of Jerry and Emma (Hershberger) Stutzman was killed instantly when she ran into the path of an oncoming car, September 14. Her age was 9 yrs., 9 mo., and 15 days. Funeral services were held at the home place, conducted by Menno Hershberger of Cashton, Wisconsin and Bishop Atlee Shetler in the house, and by Jake Schmucker and Levi Nisly in the shed. The paternal grandparents are Edd Stutzman of Mt. Elgin, Ontario, and the maternal grandparents are Menno Hershbergers of Independence, Iowa.

PA. MAN HURT IN FARM ACCIDENT

Saturday, September 18, Norman Byler, Belleville, Pa., intended to have the silo fillers to fill his silo. He had hitched the horses to the wagon, and was backing out of the barn when he noticed one line was loose. He jumped off and went to the front to fasten the snap. The horses then came forward pinching him between the wagon tongue and gunwall. He had a bruised liver and three broken ribs which caused him much pain. He was in the hospital one week and seems to be getting along fair but is to be in bed part time, and do no work for two weeks.

IND. MAN INJURED IN CONSTRUCTION WORK

Samuel E. Girod, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Enos Girod, Monroe R1, Indiana, is in the Lutheran Hospital at Fort Wayne after suffering a serious injury to his left foot, September 15, while engaged in construction work. He was helping pour cement when a bucket attached to a payloader full of concrete, fell on his foot, crushing it. Some of his toes will have to be amputated.

Lasset die Kindlein zu mir kommen.

Mark 10:14

BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Daniel M. (Esther Smucker) Bird-in-Hand R1
a daughter LINDA S., September 30
EBERSOL, John (Mary Miller) Bird-in-Hand R1
a daughter PRISCILLA M., September 13
ESCH, Jonas S. (Sarah K. Blank) New Providence R1
a son MENNO B., September 4
ESH, Eli (Anna Ruth Petersheim) Gap R 1
a daughter LINDA MAE, September 26
ESH, Melvin K. (Naomi Miller) Smoketown
a daughter ANNIE, September 8
FISHER, Aaron K. (Katie L. Fisher) Gordonville R1
a son ELMER F., September 26
FISHER, Benjamin B. (Malinda Beiler) Gordonville R1
a daughter MIRIAM, September 26
FISHER, David S. (Anna Mary Esh) New Holland R2
a daughter SUZANNE MARIE, September 19
FISHER, Elmer S. (Naomi Beiler 352 Gridley Rd.
Lancaster, a daughter LILLIAN, September 12
FISHER, Levi S. (Lydia Stoltzfoos) Paradise R1
a daughter ANNA S., September 4
GLICK, Abner (Barbara Kauffman) Quarryville R3
a daughter SARAH, September 14
GLICK, Abner S. (Levina S. Stoltzfus) New Providence
a daughter LEVINA S., September 19
GLICK, Elmer (Fannie Zook) Gap R1
a son CHRISTIAN Z., September 4
GLICK, Jacob E. (Emma B. Stoltzfus) Kinzers
a son STEVEN S., September 29
GLICK, Moses B. (Emma Zook) Willow Street R1
a daughter ELIZABETH Z., September 11
KING, Christ F. (Anna S. Lapp) 186 Quarry Rd., Leola
a daughter SALOMA L., September 22
KING, Christian K. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) 509 W. Oak Rd.
Paradise R1, a daughter ANNA, September 13
KING, Daniel B. (Rebecca Glick) New Holland R1
a son ENOS G., September 5
LANTZ, Reuben K. (Anna E. Fisher) Gordonville R1
a daughter KATIE F., September 28
LAPP, Jacob B. (Suvilla E. King) Ronks R1
a son IVAN K., September 15
SMUCKER, Jacob Jr. (Sara Petersheim) Kinzers R1
a son REUBEN JAY, September 30
SPEICHER, John J. (Fannie Fisher) 273 Newport Rd.
Leola, a son JOHN JACOB JR., September 27
STOLTZFUS, Amos Z. (Fannie Fisher) Gordonville R1
a daughter RACHEL F., September 4
STOLTZFUS, Andrew (Ruth Diener) Gordonville R1
a son ABRAM KENNETH, September 19
STOLTZFUS, Benjamin B. (Malinda G. Zook)
Gordonville, a son AQUILLA, September 17
STOLTZFUS, Daniel K. (Mary Zook) Ronks R1
a son ISAAC Z., September 24
STOLTZFUS, Eli S. (Annie Miller) Christiana R1
a son DANIEL M., September 13
STOLTZFUS, Isaac K. (Anna M. Smucker) 2141A Old
Phila. Pike, Lancaster, a dau KATIE KAY, Sept. 2
STOLTZFUS, Jacob K. (Fannie S. Smucker) Christiana
R1, a daughter KATIE S., September 24
STOLTZFUS, Jacob (Lydia Lapp) 240 Clearview Rd.
Lancaster, a son JONATHAN, September 25
STOLTZFUS, John D. (Mary E. Esh) Quarryville R3
a daughter SADIE MAE, September 4
STOLTZFUS, John E. (Edna B. Stoltzfus) Gap R1
a daughter ANNA MAE, September 27
STOLTZFUS, Samuel L. (Annie King) Gordonville R1
a son JONATHAN JAY, September 26
ZOOK, Amos B. (Rachel Lapp) Ronks R1
a son ELMER S., September 5
ZOOK, Benuel B. (Sarah E. Beiler) New Holland R1
a son AMOS K., September 1
ZOOK, Daniel B. (Ruth Lantz) Gordonville R1
a daughter BERTHA L., September 18
ZOOK, Jeremiah S. (Dora Glick) Bart
a son GIDEON G., September 25

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

ESH, Isreal S. (Mary G. Lantz) Myerstown R2
a son JONATHAN, August 1

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

KANAGY, Moses A. (Emma Wengerd)
a daughter ADA, September 1
TROYER, Aden A. (Mary Weaver)
a son LEROY, September 26
TROYER, Roman E. (Sara Yoder)
a daughter ESTHER, September 30
WEAVER, Roy E. (Olive Hostetler)
a daughter Miriam, August 31

Centre County, Pennsylvania

LAPP, John (Naomi Lantz) Rebersburg
a son IVAN, August 30
STOLTZFUS, Christ (Rachel Smucker) Spring Mills
a daughter RUTH, September 13

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Henry (Barbara Peachey) Belleville
a daughter ANNA MAE, September 20

St. Mary's County, Maryland

HOSTETLER, John (Mary Beiler) Mechanicsville R1
a son RUFUS, September 5

Holmes and Wayne Counties, Ohio

BEACHY, Mr. and Mrs. Henry J., Sugarcreek R1
a daughter
BEACHY, Mr. and Mrs. Menno J., Sugarcreek
a son SAMMIE RAY, August 31
BURKHOLDER, Mr. and Mrs. Ray, Millersburg R4
a son
COBLENTZ, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas, Fredericksburg
a daughter
HERSHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs. Aden J., Winesburg
a son DAVID, September 12
HERSHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs. Albert J., Apple Creek
a son, September 14
HERSHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs. Andy H., Fredericksburg
a son
HERSHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs. David J., Fredericksburg
a son
HERSHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs. Henry E., Sugarcreek R2
a daughter
HERSHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs. Roman E., Dundee
a son
HOSTETLER, Mr. and Mrs. Albert J., Sugarcreek R2
a daughter
KEIM, Mr. and Mrs. Dan M., Fredericksburg
a daughter
KEIM, Mr. and Mrs. Mose J., Apple Creek R1
a son ALLEN, September
KLINE, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob A., Millersburg R5
a daughter
MAST, Mr. and Mrs. Roy J., Dundee R2
a son DANIEL, September 3
MAST, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne N., Dundee R1
a daughter BARBARA, September 10
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Y., Orrville R2
a daughter MIRIAM, September 3
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Dan D., Berlin
a son
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jr., Dundee
a son JOSEPH, September 4
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Joe M., Millersburg
a daughter
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Noah J., Baltic R1
a daughter
RABER, Mr. and Mrs. Abe L., Millersburg R4
a son STEVEN, September 12
RABER, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin L., Coschocton
a daughter
RABER, Mr. and Mrs. Eli, Millersburg R2
a son
RABER, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin H., Millersburg R4
a son BRIAN, September 14
RABER, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus, Baltic R1
a daughter
SCHLABACH, Mr. and Mrs. Manelius D., Millersburg R2
a daughter MARTHA, September
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Jr., Sugar Creek
a son ADAM, September 5
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Joas J., Mt. Hope
a son
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. John L., Orrville
a daughter ROSANNA, September
WEAVER, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin J., Millersburg R5
a daughter
WEAVER, Mr. and Mrs. Mose M., Millersburg R4
a daughter
WENGERD, Mr. and Mrs. Levi A., Holmesville
a daughter
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Dan A., Dundee
a son
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin S., Millersburg
a daughter ADA MARIE, September

Adams County, Indiana

GRABER, Christ A. (Elizabeth E. Schwartz)
Geneva R2, a son JOHN, September 3
SCHWARTZ, Ben U. (Lovina Hilty) Monroe R1
a daughter MELINDA, September 29
SCHWARTZ, Enos A. (Emma Troyer) Monroe R1
a daughter ANNA, September 5
SCHWARTZ, Reuben N. (Mary Eicher) Monroe R1
a daughter, September 21
SHETLER, Andrew (Sovilla Hilty) Monroe R1
a son JOSEPH, September 12

LaGrange County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, Ammon (Clara Lehman) LaGrange R4
a son VERNON A., August 28
BONTRAGER, Daniel (Lizzie Ann Otto) LaGrange R4
a son SAMUEL D., September 21
GRABER, Elmer (Pauline Yoder) LaGrange R4
a son ERNEST E., August 28
KUHNS, Alvin (Verna Lehman) Shipshewana R2
a daughter REBECCA JEAN, September 5
LEHMAN, Floyd (Martha Miller) LaGrange R1
a son HARLEY F., September 15
LEHMAN, John A. (Amanda Coblentz) Middlebury
a son TITUS ABRAHAM, August 28
MAST, Ervin (Ruby Wingard) Middlebury R1
a son JOHN E., September 10
MILLER, Clarence (Lydia Frey) Wolcottville R1
a son ORVA EUGENE, September 12
MILLER, Elmer (Ida Yoder) LaGrange R4
a son NELSON E., September 23
MILLER, Howard (Emma Kuhns) LaGrange R1
a daughter BERNICE ANN, August 28
MILLER, Leo (Lydia Lorene Eash) Middlebury R1
a son SAMMY L., August 24
MILLER, Levi (Mattie Hochstedler) Wolcottville R1
a daughter SARA ETTA, September 9
MILLER, Mervin (Mary Miller) Ligonier R1
a daughter SARA MAE, September 2
MILLER, Samuel H., (Mary Ellen Lehman) Middlebury
a daughter MOLLY ANN, August 10
They are in service in Ft. Wayne at present.
MILLER, Tobias (Esther Hochstedler) Shipshewana R2
a son MELVIN T., August 25

BIRTHS, continued

LaGrange County, Indiana, continued

MULLET, Melvin (Katie Yoder) LaGrange R1
a son STANLEY RAY, August 31
SCHLABACH, John (Katie Weaver) Shipshewana
a daughter LINDA LOU, August 25
SCHROCK, Harvey (Anna Beechy) Topeka R2
a son HARVEY JR., September 20
WINGARD, Raymond (Dora Miller) Middlebury R1
a daughter INEZ R., September 17
YODER, Ezra (Mary Hochstedler) Topeka R2
a daughter CAROLYN E., September 6

Bronson, Michigan

HERSHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs. Joni R.
a son HENRY, September 4

Arthur, Illinois

CHUPP, Omar (Lorene Miller)
a daughter LORETTE FERN, September
DIENER, Lewis (Treva Yoder)
a son DERAL ANDREW, September 4
JESS, John (Viola Helmuth)
a daughter
KAUFMAN, Edward S. (Anna B. Kuhns)
a son ROGER LYNNI September 20
KAUFMAN, Felty (Clara Miller)
a son ANDREW, September 10
KAUFMAN, Jake S. (Fannie Mast)
a daughter ROSANNA, September 16
KAUFMAN, Reuben A (Leah Mast)
a daughter AMANDY, September
MILLER, Levi S. (Irene Otto)
a son DAVID LYNN, September
YODER, Milton (Arlene Yoder)
a son CLIFFORD, September 9

Buchanan County, Iowa

BONTRAGER, Harvey (Mary Bontrager) Fairbank
a son HARVEY JR., September 1
BONTRAGER, John A. (Frieda Gingerich) Hazleton
a son ELI, September 25
MAST, Henry (Esther Yutzy) Fairbank
a daughter IDA, August
SCHWARZ, Jake M (Mattie Miller) Hazleton
a son ERNEST, August 20 (adopted)
STUTZMAN, Perry (Mary Hershberger) Fairbank
a stillborn child

Johnson County, Iowa

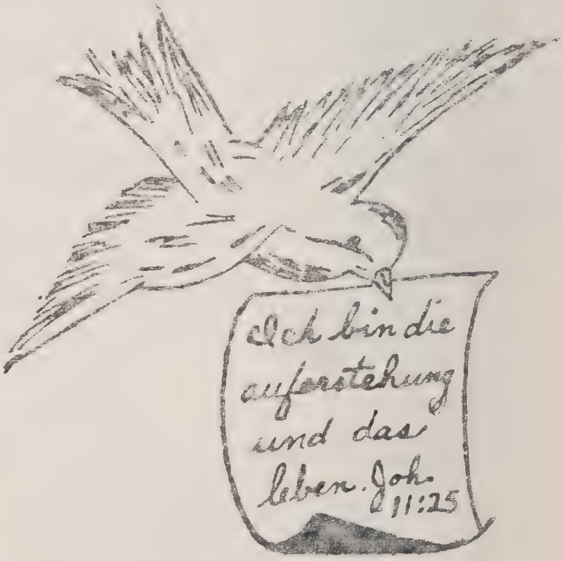
COBLENTZ, Joe (Susie Schrock
a daughter September 27
Grandparents are Harley Coblentzs and Dave Schrocks
MILLER, Simon T. (Ruby Overholt)
a son JONI, September 17
Grandparents are Pre. Toby Millers and Samuel Overholts
OVERHOLT, Joseph (Laura Miller)
a daughter, September 22
Grandparents are Samuel Overholts and Pre. Clifford Millers

Jamesport, Missouri

DETWEILER, Toby T. (Amanda Troyer)
a daughter EMMA, September 23
MAST, Freeman A. (Sarah Hostetler)
a daughter SUSAN, September 24
SHROCK, Mose W. (Anna Mary Detweiler)
a daughter MAGDALENA, September 23
TROYER, Ferman J. (Esther Stutzman)
a daughter FANNIE SUE, September 15

Aylmer and Mt. Elgin, Ontario

GASCHO, John (Martha Stoll) Aylmer
a daughter ESTHER, September 26
KAUFFMAN, John D. (Katie Miller) Mt. Elgin
a son JONATHAN, September 30



OBITUARIES

Hershberger, Mose A., 68, Sugarcreek R1, Ohio

died Friday evening, September 3, in Pomerene Memorial Hospital, Millersburg, of a cerebral hemorrhage after a one-week illness. He was born in Holmes County to the late Abner V. and Fannie (Beachy) Hershberger.

Surviving are his wife, Ada (Raber) Hershberger; six daughters, Mrs. Eli A. (Fannie) Troyer and Mrs. Mose L. (Dena) Troyer, both of Millersburg R4, Mrs. Perry M. (Sarah) Miller of Sugarcreek R2, Mrs. Alvin V. (Ada Mae) Barkman of Fresno R3, Mrs. Emanuel N. (Ella) Yoder of Baltic R1, and Mrs. William E. (Lydia Ann) Beachy of Sugarcreek R1; three sons, Henry and Andy, both of Millersburg R4 and John of the home; two sisters, Mrs. Sam (Ella) Yoder and Mrs. Andrew (Lizzie) Miller, both of Sugarcreek R1; three brothers, Henry A. of Millersburg R5, and Andy A. and Alvin A. both of Sugarcreek R1; and 49 grandchildren. A son and a brother died previously.

Funeral services were held at the residence by Bishop Eli E. Hershberger; Burial in Yoder Cemetery, Clark Twp.

Miller, Mrs. Mary, 64, of Fredericksburg R2, Ohio

died at her home Wednesday, Sept. 22, following a long illness. She was born in Holmes County. She is survived by her husband, Emanuel J.; five sons, Roy E. of Perrysville, John E. of Baltic R1, Andrew E. of Fredericksburg R2, and Henry and Christ of the home; three daughters, Mrs. Junior N. Miller and Mrs. Melvin E. Schmucker, both of Fredericksburg R2, and Mrs. Levi E. Miller of Millersburg Star Route; three brothers, John M. Mast of Apple Creek R2, Jake M. Mast of Holmesville R1 and Christ M. Mast of Kalona, Iowa; two sisters, Mrs. Henry A. Miller and Mrs. Jerry S. Wengerd, both of Big Prairie R1; and 19 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the residence by Bishop Jacob R. Troyer; Burial was in the Simon Yoder Cemetery in Salt Creek Twp.

Smucker, Sarah, four-month-old daughter of Aquilla E.
and Rachel E. (Kauffman) Smucker
Bird-in-Hand R1, Pennsylvania

died at 1:30 a.m. Monday, September 6, at home. She had been ill since birth. Survivors besides her parents include a brother, Benjamin, at home; paternal grandparents, Amos L. and Barbara Smucker, Ronks R1; maternal grandparents, Samuel and Sarah Kauffman, Christiana R1; maternal great grandfather, Benjamin Kauffman, Christiana R1; and John M. and Barbara Esh, Paradise R1

Stoltzfus, Infant son of Daniel F. and Rachel
(Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, 95 N. Maple Ave.
Leola, Pennsylvania

died Friday September 17 at 5:15 p.m. in Lancaster General Hospital at the age of one day. Surviving besides his parents are a sister, Malinda, at home; the paternal grandparents, Elam F. and Malinda Stoltzfus, Leola, and the maternal grandparents, John B. and Lydia Stoltzfus, Ronks R1.

Stoltzfus, Lavina, 78, widow of Amos E. Stoltzfus
Bird-in-Hand R1, Pennsylvania

died Tuesday, September 7, of a stroke at Ephrata Community Hospital after an illness of a few days. Her age was 78 yr., 6 mo., and 22 days. Her husband died in April, 1961. Born in Lancaster County, she was a daughter of the late Stephen and Susan (Lantz) Stoltzfus.

Surviving are these children: Susie, wife of Joe Glick, Bird-in-Hand R1; John S., Christiana R1; Stephen F., Lancaster; Mary, wife of Bemjamin R. Beiler, Kirkwood R1; Lena, wife of Aaron Y. Beiler, Bird-in-Hand R1; Elmer S., Gap R1; Rebecca, wife of Samuel E. Fisher, Gordonville R1; and Joe S., New Holland. Also 44 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; nine step-grandchildren; five step-great-grandchildren; a sister, Susie, wife of Levi Stoltzfus, Narvon R1; and a brother, Amos Stoltzfus, Gettysburg R1, Pa.

Funeral services were held at the Joe Glick residence by Daniel S. Stoltzfus and David S. Glick; Burial was in Myers Cemetery.

Wengerd, Sarah, 65, Berne R1, Indiana

died September 8 at the home of her brother Andrew Wengerd. She had been an invalid for two years. She was a native of Holmes County, Ohio where she was born November 13, 1905, a daughter of Solomon and Elizabeth (Yoder) Wengerd. She was not married. Surviving are seven brothers and three sisters.

Funeral services were held Sept. 11 at the Andrew Schwartz home. Burial was in the Schwartz Cemetery.

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MARRIAGES

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

September 16 – Widower Abner R. Glick, Gap R1 and Widow Annie Smucker, Narvon R1

Wayne County, Ohio

Jonas, son of John E. Troyer, Sugar Creek R1 and Barbara, daughter of John E. Shetler, Sugar Creek R1 were published September 5

Ervin, son of Alvin Hershberger, Fredericksburg and Susan, daughter of Elmer K. Miller, Apple Creek were published September 26

Adams County, Indiana

Sept. 9 – Nate M., son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake E. Schwartz, Berne R2, and Barbara, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter A. Schwartz, Geneva R1

Sept. 19 – Menno, son of Mr. Joe E. Hilty, Monroe R1, and Rosie E., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake E. Schwartz, Berne R2

LaGrange County, Indiana

Sept. – Manas, son of Ervin and Lydia (Hochstedler) Lehman, and Wilma, daughter of Andrew L. and Katie (Thomas) Bontrager

Sept. 9 – Lloyd, son of Rudy Chupps of Nappanee and Edith, daughter of Lewis and Susie (Lambright) Eash

Sept. – Jerry, son of Jonathan A. and Clara (Miller) Yoder, and Rosemary, daughter of Arthur and Elizabeth (Frey) Hochstedler

Sept. – Harley D., son of the late Daniel J. and Mary (Miller) Lehman, and Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel J. and Anna (Bontrager) Schrock

Sept. – Joseph Junior, son of Joe and Sara (Lambright) Yoder, and Sue Ellen, daughter of Daniel M. and Mattie (Yoder) Glick

Arthur, Illinois

Sept. 26 – John R., son of Reuben J. and Erma E. (Yoder) Yoder, and Sarahann N., daughter of Noah S. and Mattie (Miller) Brenneman

Buchanan County, Iowa

Sept. 9 – Emanuel, son of Mrs. Em Mullet, and Mattie, daughter of Bishop John Nisly, by Bishop John Nisly, Hazleton, Iowa

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Lancaster Co., Pa. by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 2.8 inches.

Market Report: Fat Steers sold $30.00 to 37.25 Cwt.; Stockers & Feeders sold 31.00 to 38.00 Cwt.; Veal, 53.00 Cwt.; Fat Hogs, 20.00 to 23.00 Cwt.; 40 lb. feeder pigs, 12.00 to 14.00; A load of Canadian Cows sold at New Holland, 405.00 to 640.00; Hay from 25.00 to 40.00 Ton; Straw, 31.00 to 34.00 Ton; Ear Corn, 44.00 to 53.00 Ton; Shell Corn, 1.40 bu.; Wheat, 1.45 bu.; Barley, 1.05 bu.; Oats, .80 bu; Leghorn Fowl, 6½¢ lb.; Eggs, large .38 doz.; Potatoes, 2.25 to 2.50 Cwt.

By Elam S. Beiler

Most of the tobacco was cut by the 11th. Curing is slow due to cloudy weather. Silos were filled from the 13th to the 25th with some refilling being done since. T hybrids are blighted severely with the stalk dead by the middle of the month and quite a few spots of mold on ears and especially on ends. Blend varieties still show some green leaves now. Normal hybrids are green yet. Silos were filled with less acreage than normal. Corn husking is starting now, especially hand picking, although some are picking with machines. Ground is being prepared for wheat with some being sowed. Some 4th cutting alfalfa was mowed as early as the 22nd this year. In my time I have never seen such a heavy 3rd and 4th cuttings as we are having this year. Wheat stubble (new grass fields) are making a lot of hay. Newly sowed alfalfa stands started off very nicely this fall. Yards were mowed every week, at times twice a week this month.

By Ammon F. Fisher

Total rainfall was 2.6 inches, first two days were cloudy. From Sept. 5 to the 9th were very warm, as high as 105 degrees. The 10th and 11th had 1½ in. of rain. Forty miles east of here they had 10 in. with lots of flooding. The 25th temperature was 39 degrees with frost at low spots. Last five days were mostly cloudy.

Juniata County, Pa. by David Y. Renno

Had many very warm days during September, total rainfall was 3.8 inches. The tropical storms in the southern states gave us much cloudy weather with southeast winds but not much rain. We had no thunder and no frost all month. September was much warmer throughout than August had been. Pastures are good, and all fruit and garden produce are plentiful. Corn is dying out too soon from the blight. Farmers are picking corn and doing fall seeding. Work has now started on the new 7. S. 22 Expressway that is being built through the Amish section here. The contracter will have his headquarters in Emory Weavers' field. They graded it level and are putting up a 100 ft. tool storage shed. They will dig a well and install concrete mixing facilities. The road will cost a little over one million dollars a mile.

Snyder County, Pa. by Sam M. Troyer

Some farmers are reporting corn blight, but many fields don't have any. There is more corn out this year than has been for a long time and it seems to be a good crop. Not much rain this month, I measured only about 1½ inches. There were many damp days so that nothing seemed to suffer from lack of rain. We had lots of fruit this month.

Centre County, Pa. by Henry F. Beiler

We had a lot of wet and foggy mornings in Sept., about 7 inches of rain, no killing frost. The coldest was 36 degrees the 25th. Farm work is filling silo the latter part of Sept., was delayed about a week due to wet weather. Pastures are nice and green after a dry spell. Corn is short in some areas. Some looks like a good crop where more rain fell in July and Aug. There are some blight reports in this area.

Mifflin County, Pa. by Catherine Swarey

September came in quite warm the first week, many cloudy, foggy days, 4.4 inches measureable rain. Lowest temperature was 34 degrees, no frost yet. A flock of wild geese was seen Sept. 30, the first I know of. Pastures and lawns are nice and green, gardens look empty. Silo filling is completed. Many farmers have started husking corn. Tomatoes for the cannery were a good crop.

Somerset County, Pa. by Mary A. Kinsinger

We have been having an abundance of rain and fog, very few sunshiny days. It has rained about 7 in. in September. It has been a very busy month for most people. Silo filling is about past now. Some blight was in the corn.

St. Mary's County, Md. by Amos R. Stoltzfus

September started in just fine. We had some warm humid weather several days the first and second week til the 11th it was getting very dry and dusty. That evening it rained almost an inch and the next day ½ inch. Later in the month it was fairly cool in the mornings and real pleasant days. Farmers could get in the fields for their crops most any time and corn was a fair crop in spite of some blight. The corn was not verhuddled like it often is due to hurricane weather. Silos are filled and hay is nearly all in. This evening, the 30th, it is real cloudy and a fairly strong wind is blowing from the northeast, with a hurricane reportedly on the way. We could use some rain.

Holmes County, Ohio by David E. Miller

We were having plenty of rain lately. Some 2nd and 3rd cutting hay is being made with some real nice hay. Farmers are disking and getting the ground ready to sow wheat, speltz, and some rye. The ground is in nice shape since our good rains. Men are filling silos about every day. We have to fill two more silos this week then we are done for this fall. Apples, pears, and grapes are plentiful. Lots of apples are going to spoil if they don't work them up. We have lots of chestnuts. Corn looks real good.

Wayne County, Ohio by Ray J. Yoder

Very fall-like weather in September, with cool nights and warm days. No frost yet. Had a little more rain in September than in the summer months. Corn is a good crop with very little damage from blight. Some farmers are starting to husk. Canning is about over. Apples are plentiful and cheaper than normally. Pumpkin pie, mmmmmmmm.

Adams County, Indiana by Mary Ann Hilty

September was hot, cold, hot and wet. If it had not been for the 8 cool days in the middle of the month, the month would have gone into the record books as the warmest September in 61 years. The rainfall totaled 6.02 inches. The high of the month was 90 degrees on the 9th, low was 39 on the 24th. There were 8 fair days, 18 partly cloudy, 4 cloudy, 9 rainy days, and 5 thunderstorms for the month.

LaGrange County, Indiana by Ervin D. Hochstetler

We had about two inches of rain in September. The week of the 20th was cooler with a light frost. The 27th warmer again with temperature of 82. Silos are all filled. Corn is drying fast. Some have started husking. Wheat is sowed.

Bronson, Michigan by O. A. Graber

Had a very dry summer throughout. The only month in the year that we got average moisture was July with about 5 inches. September started in cool with some rain and ended up quite hot, with only one-half the normal amount of rain for the month. Crops look good considering the dry, powdery soil they grew on. Farmers started picking corn the last week of Sept.

Reuben hershbergers are building a house to move into by November.

Mt. Elgin, Ontario by LeRoy Eicher

A total rainfall of 2¼ inches for September, still dry. Silos are all filled. Tomatoes are coming to an end. Some cucumbers did less than 1 ton per acre, others did a few tons.

Arthur, Illinois by Menno A. Diener

For the month of Sept. we had about 5½ inches of rain, pretty well distributed through the month, from the 20th to the 25th was most heavy with 2½ inches. Weather was very warm several days being 90 to 95, some evenings at 8:30 still 80 degrees. Bean harvest is well finished, late beans being best with 45 to 60 bushels. Corn picking has well started.

Buchanan County, Iowa by Joe A. Yoder

The month of August was the driest month of Aug. on record, only one inch of rainfall. First part of September was very warm and dry. Sept. 24 was 33 degrees, a light frost in low places. Sept. had a few inches of rain. Mechanical corn picking and shelling and drying was started the last week of Sept., no hand picking yet. Corn is a good crop.

Johnson County, Iowa by Eli S. Bontrager

We've had quite warm weather in September, temp. in the 80s. We had a cool spell about 10 days ago, was down to 36 one morning. Several of the early birds have combined some corn already, which will have to be put through the dryer, and make more expense. At present the corn crop looks to be one of the best.

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BAPTISMS

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania
West District by Isaac H. Zook, Sept. 19
Phares, son of John K. and Rachel (Fisher) Lapp

Juniata County, Pennsylvania
South District by Amos L. Beiler and
Deacon Christ K. Swarey, Sept. 5
Thomas Swarey, Henry Swarey, Beth-Sheba Renno,
Katie Swarey and Leah Swarey

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania
Byler Church District, August 29
by Jacob E. Byler at Henry Peights
Isaac Swarey, son of David C.
Ezra Peight son of Samuel
Norman Yoder, son of Pre. Daniel
Ivan Byler, son of Rudy
Mary Zook, daughter of Jonathan
Sylvia Byler, daughter of Emanuel
Ruth Zook, daughter of Jonathan
Susan Peachey, daughter of Eli
Katie Swarey, daughter of Jesse
Lower Church District, September 5
by Joshua Renno at Moses Kanagys
Samuel Byler, son of Andy
Katie Peachy, daughter of David C.
Emma Peachy, daughter of David C.
Ada Peachy, daughter of Pre. Samuel T.
Mary Byler, daughter of Andy
Lower Middle Church District, Sept. 12
by Joshua Renno at Samuel Wengerds
David Swarey, son of David C.
Crist Peachy, son of Pre. Crist B.
John Swarey, son of David C.

BAPTISMS, continued

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania
East Upper Millcreek District – Talmage
September 19, by Bishop Benjamin S. Lapp
Benuel, son of Christ and Barbara (Fisher) King
Bennie, son of Jerry and Mattie (Miller) Stoltzfus
Christ, son of Christ and (Barbara (Fisher) King
David, son of Jacob and Malinda (Stoltzfus) Smucker
Fannie, dau. of Jacob and Malinda (Stoltzfus) Smucker
Annie, dau. of Dea. Amos and Priscilla (Zook) Beiler
North Groffdale District
September 19, by Bishop John L. Stoltzfus
Sylvan, son of John J. and Barbara (Beiler) Lapp
David, son of Stephen U. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Zook
Moses, son of Amos F. and Lavina (Fisher) Huyard
Emanuel, son of John J. and Barbara (Beiler) Lapp
Elizabeth, dau. of Isaac F. and Lydia (Fisher) Huyard
Barbara, dau. of Emanuel S. and Katie (Esh) Lapp
Rachel, dau. of Amos M. and Katie (Stoltzfus)Stoltzfus
Conestoga District
September 26, by Aaron Y. Beiler
Elmer, son of Sarah (Stoltzfus) and the late Amos Smucker
Samuel, son of Elmer and Fannie (Lapp) Smucker
John, son of David and Katie (Stoltzfus) Smucker
Lena, dau. of Daniel L. and Hannah (Stoltzfus)Stoltzfus
Rebecca, dau. of Sarah (Stoltzfus) and the late Amos Smucker
Susie, dau. of Sammie M. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Sadie, dau. of Sammie M and Rebecca Stoltzfus (twins)
South Honey Brook District
September 19, by Bishop Elam P. Kauffman
Daniel, son of Dea. Levi and Annie (Stoltzfus) Kauffman
Omar, son of Daniel and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Kauffman
Melvin, son of Christ and Mary (King) Stoltzfus
Jacob, son of Emanuel and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Esther, dau. of John and Miriam (Stoltzfus) King
Anna, dau. of Bennie and Katie (Stoltzfus) King
Susie, dau. of Stephen and Sadie (Stoltzfus)Stoltzfus
Fannie, dau. of Jesse and Miriam (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Malinda, dau. of John and Miriam (Stoltzfus) King
Emma, dau. of Pre. Amos). and Ada (Stoltzfus)Stoltzfus
Malinda, dau. of Eli and Katie (King) Stoltzfus
Amanda, dau. of Daniel and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Blank
Lower Pequea North District
September 19 by Bishop Gideon M. Stoltzfus
Ivan, son of David and Susie (Riehl) Stoltzfus
Norman, son of John K. and Betty (Beiler) Stoltzfus
Irvin, son of Daniel and Miriam (King) Stoltzfus
Aaron, son of Pre. Lloyd and Mattie (King) Beiler
Sarah, dau. of Elam and Mary (Dienner) Beiler
Rebecca, dau of Ben and Annie (Stoltzfus) Allgyer
Ruth, dau. of David and Lydia (Beiler) Stoltzfus
Lower Pequea – Limeville
September 5, by Sam F. Stoltzfus
Lydia, dau. of Pre. Daniel and Susie (Smucker) Dienner
Mary, dau. of Elmer and Naomi (Lantz) Stoltzfus
Barbara, dau of Levi and Sadie (Esh) King
Lower Pequea District – Gap
September 19, by Bishop Samuel F. Stoltzfus
Melvin, son of David and Rebecca (King) Zook
Ben, son of Dea. Tobias and Mary (Zook) Stoltzfus
Sol, son of Sadie (Stoltzfus) and the late Sol Stoltzfus
Henry, son of Mose and Lydia (Blank) Stoltzfus
David, son of Henry and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Blank
Aquilla, son of Pre. Moses and Fannie (Kauffman)Blank
Henry, son of Henry and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Blank
Susie, dau. of Jacob and Lydia (Beiler) King
Sadie, dau. of Katie (Blank) and the late Samuel Fisher
Ada, dau. of Christ and Katie (Byler) King
Fannie, dau. of Katie (Blank) and the late SamuelFisher
Lower Pequea District – Kinzers
September 26, by Bishop Henry S. Fisher
Samuel, son of Samuel and Mary (Smucker) Esh
Christ, son of Christ and Emma (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Amos, son of John and Betsy (Zook) Beiler
Emma, dau. of Christ and Emma (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Naomi , dau. of John and Malinda (Beiler) Zook
Marie, dau. of Jacob and Emma (Stoltzfus) Glick
Lizzie, dau. of Pre. Stephen and Katie (Glick) Fisher
Lizzie, dau. of Bishop Henry and Sadie (Smucker)Fisher
Katie, dau. of Amos and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Yoder
Lower Pequea District – Cattail
September 19, by Bishop Jonathan King
Jacob, son of Jacob and the late Mary (Blank) Zook
Abner, son of David and Amanda (Smucker) King
Samuel, son of Jacob and the late Mary (Blank) Zook
Barbara, dau. of Aaron and Emma (King) King
Mary, dau. of Emanuel and Rebecca (Lapp) King
Barbara, dau. of Pre. Joseph and Sadie (Smucker) Beiler
Mary, dau. of Samuel and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Smucker
Fannie, dau. of Elam and Susie (Stoltzfus) Beiler
Lower Millcreek District – Centerville
September 26, by Amos E. King
Amos, son of Samuel and Rachel (Lapp) Stoltzfus
Amos, son of John and Malinda (King) Lapp
David, son of John and Leah (Flaud) Beiler
Lower Millcreek District
September 19, by Amos E. King
Sadie, dau. of Jesse and Susie (Fisher) King
Barbara, dau. of Rebecca (Lapp) and the late IsaacKing
Millcreek District
September 19, by Enos M. Beiler
John, son of John and Annie (Lapp) Miller
Aaron, son of Aaron J. and Mary (Stoltzfus) Glick
Amos, son of Amos and Fannie (Renno) Miller
Enos, son of Enos M. and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Beiler
Henry, son of John P. and Sarah(King) Esh
Emma, dau. of Daniel and Mima (Zook) King
Arie, dau of John and Lizzie (Riehl) Stoltzfoos
Rachel, dau. of David and Leah (Beiler) Ebersol
Lizzie, dau. of Samuel and Annie (King) Fisher
Nancy, dau. of Aaron P. and Mary (Blank) Miller
Katie, dau. of John and Lizzie (Riehl) Stoltzfoos
Middle Pequea District – Weavertown
September 19, by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler
John, son of Emanuel and the late Fannie (Kauffman) Flaud
Christian, son of Christian and Emma (Beiler) Stoltzfus

Gideon, son of Amos L. and Susie (Fisher) Fisher
Jacob, son of Samuel J. and Susie (Lapp) Stoltzfus
Jacob, son of Jacob and Rebecca (King) Smucker
Barbara, dau. of Malinda (Beiler) and the late Isaac Petersheim
Katie, dau. of Jonas and Annie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Lena, dau. of Jacob L. and Leah (Stoltzfus) Riehl
Fannie, dau. of Amos). and Susie (Fisher) Fisher
Lizzie, dau. of Aaron and Malinda (King) Stoltzfus
Sadie, dau. of Aaron Y. and Lena (Stoltzfus) Beiler
Sarah Smucker, dau. of Daniel and Malinda (Smoker) Petersheim

Middle Pequea District – East Intercourse
September 19, by Daniel E. Stoltzfus

Amos, son of Emma (Esh) and the late John Stoltzfus
Aaron, son of Emma (Esh) (Stoltzfus) Fisher (twins)
Ira, son of Dea. Abram S. and Saloma (Stoltzfus) Beiler
Amos, son of John A. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Kauffman
Jacob, son of Amos M. and Lydia (Lapp) King
Mary, dau. of Samuel and Naomi (Smucker) Esh
Anna Ruth, dau. of Samuel and Rebecca (Smucker) Esh
Katie, dau of Amos M. and Lydia (Lapp) King
Barbara, dau. of Pre. Stephen and Sarah (Lapp) Esh

Middle Pequea District – Vintage
September 26, by Bishop Daniel E. Stoltzfus

David, son of Leroy S. and Ruth (Huyard) Esh
Abner, son of Paul and Annie (Zook) Fisher
David, son of Eli Z. and Emma (Esh) King
Mary, dau. of Pre. Amos G. and Katie (Huyard) Esh
Ada, dau. of Pre. Amos G. and Katie (Huyard) Esh

Upper Pequea District – Greenland
September 26, by Bishop John M. Beiler

Ben, son of Isaac and Emma (Fisher) Kauffman
Jacob, son of Amos and Sarah (Stoltzfus) King
Ephraim, son of Eli and Katie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Omar, son of Abram and Sarah (Beiler) King
Abram, son of Isaac and Rebecca (Beiler) Ebersol
Rachel, dau of Pre. Joseph and Lydia (Zook) King
Sarah, dau. of Joseph and Rebecca (King) Beiler
Sallie, dau. of Andrew and Annie (Yoder) Beiler
Rachel, dau. of Isaac and Rebecca (Beiler) Ebersol

Upper Pequea District – Strasburg
September 26, by Bishop Christian M. Fisher

Jacob, son of Benuel and Arie (Smucker) Fisher
John, son of Isaac and Saloma (Stoltzfus) Lapp
Elam, son of Amos C. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Fisher
Katie, dau of Pre. Levi H. and Rebecca (Fisher) Fisher
Rebecca, dau. of David H. and Lizzie (King) Fisher
Sarah, dau. of Pre. Benuel and Arie (Smucker) Fisher
Rebecca, dau. of David E. and Annie (Stoltzfoos)Fisher
Rachel, dau. of David H. and Lizzie (King) Fisher
Sadie, dau. of Elam S. and Rachel (Smucker) King
Malinda, dau. of Pre. Benuel and Arie (Smucker) Fisher

Mt. Pleasant District
September 26, by Bishop Joel Zook

Daniel, son of Leroy and Malinda (Esh) Stoltzfus
Samuel, son of Bishop Joel and Mary (King) Zook
David, son of Levi and Rachel (Miller) Fisher
Amos, son of Pre.Joseph and Mattie (Esh) Fisher
Daniel, son of Pre. Gideon and Lizzie (Fisher) Lapp
Aaron, son of Daniel and Barbara (King) Smucker
Mary, dau. of Daniel and Barbara (Petersheim) King
Barbara, dau. of John and Lizzie (Glick) Esh
Edna, dau. of Reuben and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Beiler

West Georgetown District
September 19, by Bishop John S. Glick

Michael, son of Aaron and Katie (Stoltzfus) King
Amos, son of Gideon and Lydia (Blank) Smucker
David, son of Bishop John and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Glick
Enos, son of Aaron and Katie (Stoltzfus) King
Christ, son of John and Rachel (Kauffman) Fisher
Leah, dau. of Jacob and Edna (Stoltzfus) King
Arie, dau. of Bishop John and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Glick
Anna, dau. of Amos and Katie (King) Esh
Naomi, dau. of Pre. Jacob and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Fisher
Lizzie, dau. of Jacob and Edna (Stoltzfus) King
Priscilla, dau. of Dea. Samuel and Mattie (Stoltzfus)King

Nine Points District
September 19, by Bishop Samuel Kauffman

John, son of Benjamin and Barbara (Esh) Kauffman
Isaac, son of Jacob and Barbara (Beiler) Zook
David, son of Pre. Samuel L. and Fannie (Blank)Stoltzfus
Sylvia, dau. of John K. and Barbara (Glick) Blank
Lizzie, dau. of Eli and Fannie (Blank) Esh

Kirkwood District
September 19, by Bishop David L. Riehl

Emanuel, son of Levi L. and Sarah (Lapp) Stoltzfus
Amos, son of Stephen F. and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Henry, son of Samuel M. and Mary (Riehl) Stoltzfus
Christ, son of John K. and Rachel (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Samuel, son of Henry L. and Fannie (Stoltzfus)Stoltzfus
Abner, son of Henry S. and Annie (Glick) Stoltzfus
Jacob, son of Jacob and Mary (Beiler) Hershberger
Elias, son of Ben K. and Annie (Lapp) Stoltzfus
Isreal, son of Samuel K. and Mary (Miller) Stoltzfus
Amos, son of Stephen and Fannie (Stoltzfus) Beiler
David, son of Bishop David and Sarah (Stoltzfus)Riehl
Samuel, son of Jonas K. and Fannie (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Stephen, son of Stephen J. and Lydia (Stoltzfus)Stoltzfus
Isaac, son of Abram and the late Barbara (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Fannie, dau. of Ben R. and Mary (Stoltzfus) Beiler
Malinda, dau. of Levi L. and Sarah (Lapp) Stoltzfus
Lydia, dau. of Ben F. and Malinda (Beiler) King
Rebecca, dau of Henry S. and Annie (Glick) Stoltzfus
Lena, dau. of Levi L. and Rachel (Esh) Beiler
Rachel, dau. of Samuel M. and Mary (Riehl) Stoltzfus
Mary, dau. of Elsie (Stoltzfus) and the late David Fisher
Lavina, dau. of Ben R. and Mary (Stoltzfus) Beiler
Malinda, dau. of Ben K. and Annie (Lapp) Stoltzfus
Emma, dau. of John K. and Rachel (Fisher) Stoltzfus

Union District
September 26, by Bishop David L. Riehl

Abram, son of Stephen and the late Barbara (Stoltzfus) Smoker
Enos, son of Sarah (King) and the late Ephraim Lapp
Levi, son of Jonas and Lydia (Lapp) Fisher
Levi, son of John B. and Susie (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Fannie, dau. of Isaac and Annie (Beiler) Stoltzfus
Lizzie, dau. of John and Hannah (King) Esh
Mary, dau. of Jacob L. and Emma (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Mattie, dau of Sarah (King) and the late Ephraim Lapp
Annie, dau. of Levi Z. and Mary (Miller) Fisher
Sarah, dau. of John and Fannie (Esh) King

BAPTISMS, continued
Union District, continued
Rachel, dau. of Stephen and the late Barbara (Stoltzfus) Smoker
Emma, dau. of Abram and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Lapp
Sadie, dau. of Jonas and Lydia (Lapp) Fisher

Somerset County, Pennsylvania
Upper District by Bennie Yoder
Menno A., son of Alvin M. Peachy
David, son of Bennie A. Yoder
Lower District by Albert E. Brenneman
Noah, son of Mrs. Katie Beachy
Levi, son of Henry S. Kinsinger
Paul, son of Joseph A. Yoder
Roy, son of David Beachy
Perry, son of Peat Y. Summy
Lydia, daughter of Albert E. Brenneman
Soloma, daughter of Wilmar A. Yoder
Emma, daughter of Joseph A. Yoder

St. Mary's County, Maryland
West District, Sept. 19, by Samuel J. Stoltzfus
Elam, son of Isaac B. Fisher
Aaron, son of Sammie S. Stoltzfus
Hannah, daughter of Sammie S. Stoltzfus
Becky, daughter of Chris Z. Byler
Annie, daughter of Moses Hostetler
Mima, daughter of Sam Y. Beiler
at the home of Jacob Hostetlers
East District, Sept. 26, by Sanuel J. Stoltzfus
Levi , son of Benuel Stoltzfus
Christian, son of Thomas Swarey
Sammie, son of Bennie Stoltzfus
Jacob, son of Chris Swarey
Benuel, son of Benuel Stoltzfus
Jacob, son of Jacob Swarey
Nancy, daughter of Aaron Hertzler
Sarah, daughter of Daniel Zook
Malinda, daughter of Aaron Hertzler
Becky, daughter of Levi Yoder
at the home of Benjamin and Rebecca Stoltzfus

Holmes County, Ohio
At Pre. Abe Bontrager's home, Sept. 26
by Bishop Atlee E. Miller
Miriam D., daughter of David E. M. Miller
Sue, daughter of Willis Coblentz
Mary, daughter of Henry M. Yoder
Martha, daughter of Ben L. Raber

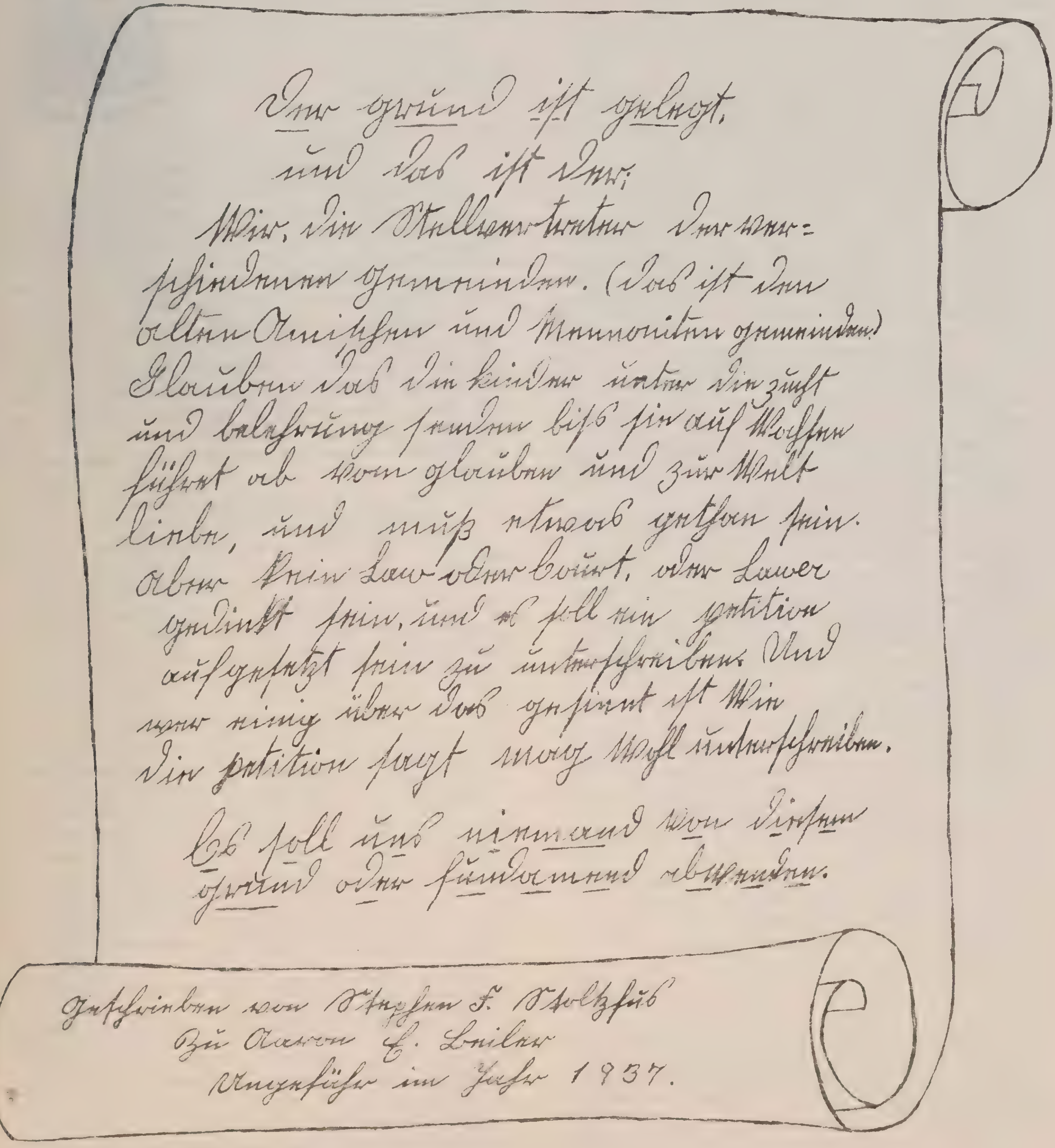
Wayne County, Ohio
September 12
Ervin, son of Pre. Noah Beachy, Millersburg R4
Paul, son of Jonas A. Yoders, Wilmot Star Rt.
Sept. 12 in Roman Troyer District
Mose, son of Dan Mast
Amos, son of Pre. Christ Miller
Miriam, daughter of Abe J. Weaver
a daughter of Melvin J. Yoders
a daughter of John L. Yoders
Anna, daughter of Wm Swartzentruber

LaGrange County, Indiana
Abe Mast District, August 29
Samuel E., son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer C. Miller
Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi U. Miller
Gladys, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi U. Miller
Joni B. Miller District, September 5
Ervin Jay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mast
Levi, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Eash
Wilma, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Urias U. Miller
Wilma, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi M. Mast
Elizabeth Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin M. Miller
Eli Lehman District, September 5
John Lambright, son of Mrs. Chris (Clara) Schwartz
Clarence, son of Mr. and Mrs. Amos W. Bontrager
John, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. D. Beechy
Irma, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel E. Miller
Amos N. Miller East District
Larry Eugene, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Miller
Clarence Jay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fry
Elsie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chris C. Hochstetler
Betty Irene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Miller
Amos N. Miller West District, September 5
Orva, son of Ernest N. and Elizabeth (Hochstetler)Miller
Orpha, dau of Ernest and Elizabeth Miller
Wilma, daughter of Levi E. and Amelia Yoder
Emma, dau. of Ira and the late Wilma Mullet
Dan M. Hochstetler District, Sept. 12
LeRoy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas M. Yoder
Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wengerd
Daniel J. Bontrager District, Sept. 12
William, son of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Christner
Herman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan D. Miller
Harvey, son of Mrs. Eli A. (Anna) Miller
Lillie Barkman, daughter of Mrs. Sam R. Bontrager
Orpha, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos W. Bontrager
Abe A. Yoder District (West Yoder)
Ernest, son of Henry F. and Emma (Miller) Graber
William, son of Joseph and Ella (Bontrager) Yoder
Irene, daughter of Mahlon and Wilma (Eash) Miller
by Bishop Abe A. Yoder
Clemence Miller District (Middle Barnes)
Ervin Ray, son of LeRoy and Nettie (Schlabach) Miller
Esther, daughter of Vernon and Ada (Eash) Miller
by Bishop Clemence Miller
Ervin R. Bontrager District (Forks)
Mervin, son of Rudy and Polly (Bontrager) Hershberger
Mary, daughter of the late Amos J. and Katie Yoder
Martha, dau. of the late Amos J. and Katie Yoder
Esther, daughter of Andrew and Elva (Miller) Yoder
by Bishop Ervin R. Bontrager

Buchanan County, Iowa
Northwest District, August 29
by Bishop Atlee Shetler
Harley, son of Pre. John Yutzy
Lizzian, daughter of Bishop Atlee Shetler
Mary, daughter of Albert Masts
Katie, daughter of Mrs. Em Mullet
Southeast District, August 29
by Bishop John Nissly
John, son of Dan Beechys
Fanny, daughter of Dan Kurtzs
Anna, daughter of Menno Schwarzs Jr.

Middle South District, Sept. 5
by Bishop Atlee Shetler
Anna, daughter of Dan Yoders
Middle East District, Sept. 6
by Bishop Tobe Detweiler of Jamesport, Missouri
Eli, son of Mrs. Jonas A. Helmuth
Perry, son of Abner Schwarzs

Jamesport, Missouri
East District, September 5
Harley, son of Levi H. Beechy
Edna Mae, daughter of Dan S. Kauffman
South District, September 19
Anna, daughter of Joe M. Keim
Fannie, daughter of Andy N. Troyer
Mary Ann, daughter of Menno A. Yoder
Bertha, daughter of Eli D. Shrock



Der grund iſt gelegt.
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Wir, die Stellvertreter der verſchiedenen gemeinden. (das iſt der alten Amiſchen und Mennoniten gemeinden) Glauben daß die kinder unter die zucht und belehrung ſendern biſs ſie auf Wachſen führt ab vom glauben und zur Welt liebe, und muß etwas gethan ſein. Aber kein Law oder Court, oder Lawer gedinkt ſein, und es ſoll ein petition aufgeſetzt ſein zu unterſchreiben Und wer einig über das geſinnt iſt Wie die petition ſagt mag Wohl unterſchreiben.

Es ſoll uns niemand von dieſem grund oder fundamand abwenden.

Geſchrieben von Stephen F. Stoltzfus
Zu Aaron E. Beiler
Ungefähr im Jahr 1937.

The Hour Glass

FROM OUT OF THE PAST

Reprints from THE WEEKLY BUDGET

Thursday, August 15, 1895

LETTER FROM INDIANA

Clay City, Ind., July 30 – Please send my paper to Brownstown, Ill., until further notice.

I will start for Clay prairie this morning to see cousin William Miller, who resides at that place.

We had a light rain on Sunday evening.

I must say that I like the people here better than the country, as I never had been where the people treated me more kindly than they did here, for which I thank them very much. The country is much more hilly than I expected to find it. M. I. HOCHSTETLER

LETTER FROM KANSAS

Partridge, Kansas, August 2 – Last night we had a good shower of rain, which made things look quite refreshing.

Corn looks as though we would have a fair crop; oats yields from 12 to 30 bushels per acre; Wheat in general was a poor crop.

Last week, the Arkansas river, which runs along the west side of Hutchinson, overflowed its banks until the southwest side of the city was inundated with water. Streets were washed out, and quite a number of people had to seek a place of refuge.

Peter Thomas and wife started for Newton county, Indiana, on Tuesday, called there by a telegram, announcing the serious illness of Benj. D. Miller, father of Mrs. Thomas.

In a former issue of the Budget "BOWSER" was critcising the West, and talking of smoke of prosperity. Please explain what smoke of prosperity is. I think when you wrote that, you just discovered that brick from Geauga county. Yost K. Byler, you would better come and see the west, and then tell us what smoke of prosperity is, as you live in that district.

N. HELMUTH

NEWS NOTES FROM BENTON

A heavy rain on Tues. morning.

Farmers are about done butting oats.

Corn promises a fair crop.

Peaches are scarce, but apples and pears are plenty.

Eli Miller's new house and barn are nearing completion.

Sarah J. Miller, who had been working at Sugar Creek, is at home nursing a sore foot, caused by tramping in a nail.

Aug. 7th. COR.

CHARM NEWS ITEMS

Dry weather, warm days and cool nights.

Cutting and hauling oats is in order among farmers.

Hershberger & Keim are bustling over the country, threshing.

Jacob L. Miller and Silas Hershberger will leave for Indiana and Illinois in the near future.

The new store at this place, is completed, and doing a thriving business.

Moses J. Miller has commenced making cider.

Jacob E. Mast and Fred Nicholas took advantage of the low excursion rates and went to Columbus on Sunday.

Farmers had scarcely enough hay and wheat to fill their barns.

David Lonaker, of Allen county, Ind., is visiting in our midst.

J. J. Miller and wife went to Richland Co. on Sat. to visit.

Died: – On July 31st, Peter Nisly, aged 75 years and 10 months. Funeral on Friday. Deceased was a member of the Amish Mennonite church. He leaves two sons and one daughter.

Aug. 5th. J. E. SCHLABACH

FROM THE NORTHWEST

Brewster, Minnesota, August 1 – There is still some wheat to cut, although most of the farmers are done. Wheat is a good crop this year, requiring from three to six pounds of twine to the acre. Barley is also a heavy crop. Threshing has already commenced. The Minnesota hard wheat is very nice. In my next letter I will give the wheat yield per acre.

This is a very good country for farmers; the nights are cool and pleasant, although the days are often warm; the warmest we had this summer was 96 degrees.

Now is a good time to come and see this country for yourselves.

This leaves us all well. ISAAC SLABAUGH

Haven, Kansas, August 2 – We are having nice and warm weather.

We came very near getting hot winds last week, but it passed over without scorching anything.

This morning we are having a nice rain, which was much needed. This helps the corn yet, which promises a heavy yield.

Farmers have commenced plowing for their fall crops.

Thrashing is in full blast. Miller & Yoder are doing good work with their new Case thresher. They have a full set of hands, with J. J. Miller as engineer, fireman and general manager. He has strict orders to keep the boys out of the melon patches.

A child of Joni Miller's is very sick at present; otherwise health is good in this locality.

The man you don't like is often better than you think he is. Yours Truly, J. H.

THE WEEKLY BUDGET

Thursday, August 22, 1895

Rev. J. M. Weaver, of Harvey county, Kansas preached several very instructive and inspiring sermons in this locality lately; at union Hill on Friday and Saturday evenings and at this place on Sunday morning and evening. Bro. Weaver is accompanied by his wife and little daughter. They left home on the 4th of April with horse & carriage, visiting the Mennonite and Amish churches along their route. They went from here to Winesburg, then Wayne county; from there they expect to go to Stark county, then to Pennsylvania, intending to go as far east as Lancaster county. May God bless them richly in their labors.

NOTES ABOUT OUR TRIP

For want of space we did not finish the description of our trip in our last issue, but will try to do so this week.

As stated before, we reached Petersburgh, Virginia, on our homeward trip, at 6:80, Monday evening, where we remained until the following morning. Petersburgh is a city of about 20,000 inhabitants, about 14,000 of whom are colored. Here are located extensive tobacco manufactories, employing nearly all colored labor, which may be given as the reason for their major per cent of the population. Sycamore St., the principal thoroughfare of the ciyt, is substan

the principal thoroughfare of the city, is substantially

built, but very narrow, hardly any wider than the streets of our little town. The Appomattox river courses along the north side of the city and is navigable for light draught vessels.

At 10:80, Tuesday morning, we boarded the westbound train on the Norfolk & Western R. R., and are soon outside of the city. The land along the railroad is nearly level, a large amount of which is covered with second growth pine and other timber, but occasionally nice farms and pleasant homes, portending of thrift and energy. In 45 miles we reach Nottoway. Here the land is more broken, and fruit raising is carried on to considerable extent. The principal crops cultivated here are tobacco, corn and oats. We then run over a high table land for 21 miles, when we reach High Bridge, where we cross a trestle nearly 100 ft. in height and about one-half mile in length. The next stop is Farmville; here we again come to the Appomattox river and follow it for a short distance. We then run over high country for nearly 50 miles, when we cross the James river and follow this stream for a short distance, when we reach Lynchburgh, a city of nearly 20,000 inhabitants, partly built on a precipitous bluff, almost a hundred feet above the river. Winding along the cliffs for a short distance we leave the river, pass through a tunnel under a spur of the mountain and are in a more open country. After a run of 25 miles we reach Bedford, with a population of about 3,000. Wheat and tobacco are the principal crops raised in this locality.

We are now nearing the Blue Ridge mountains and their lofty peaks can almost be seen in the dim distance towards the northwest. In 17 miles more we reach the summit of the mountains by a heavy grade. Our descend is then rapid for 9 miles to Vinton, where we strike a tributary of the Roanoke river and in two miles more reach Roanoke, a busy little city of 17,000 inhabitants. The water supply of this flourishing city is brought from a single spring in the mountain, gushing forth 6,000 gallons of water every hour, so fresh that when piped two miles to the city no ice is required, even in the hottest season of the year. Leaving Roanoke, we still follow the river, which courses along the foothills of the Blue Ridge. In 22 miles we leave the river, pass through a tunnel, then come to Shawsville, a little mountain town. From here our ascend is again rapid until we reach Christiansburg, when we descend at about the same rate until we reach E. Radford, where we change cars. Here we are in the valley of New river but ascend rapidly and take a straight cut through tunnels, ravines and cuts for 7 miles when we again strike New river, which we follow to Glen Lyn, a distance of 29 miles.

The scenery along New river is the grandest we saw on our entire trip, and we will not endeavor to describe it, well knowing that we could not give you any idea of its majesty and grandeur. Along this division of the N. & W. R. R. is a display of perhaps the most wonderful engineering skill on any railroad east of the Rockies.

At the last named station we turn our course towards the southwest and in a few miles we cross the state line over into West Virginia. Night has now overtaken us and we have to drop the curtain over these grand mountain scenes, part of which we described in a letter from Petersburg, while on our trip.

When day began to dawn (Wednesday) we were nearing the Ohio river, which we crossed at Kanova, on a long steel bridge. We then followed the river to Portsmouth, a distance of 39 miles. Here we turn northward into the Sciota Valley, one of the most beautiful and fertile valleys of Ohio, and perhaps the greatest corn country in the Bucheye state. We reached Columbus at 8:30, A.M., where we had to wait until 11:25, when we boarded the train for Coshocton, where we again changed cars and arrived home at 3:05 P.M.

Thursday, August 22, 1895

FROM WALNUT CREEK TOWNSHIP

Warm and dry weather.

Farmers are busy hauling manure and plowing for wheat.

Wheat yields from 0 to 20 bushels to the acre; oats from 35 to 50 bu.; summer barley nearly the same amount. Potatoes will make a good yield.

Some corn is standing back on account of replanting and dry weather. Corn on bottom lands is doing well; roasting ears are at hand.

A. C. Troyer, of Troyer Valley, spent Sunday in our midst.

Ammon D. Miller Sundayed with his parents at Charm.

Amos Harman is engaged in blasting limestone for N. P. Beachy. Lime kilns are quite numerous in this locality.

Daniel J. A. Miller bought a new buggy lately from our blacksmith, S. Horrisberger.

David Longacher, of Allen Co., Indiana, is in our midst. He informs us that he came here to view the country; but we presume he came to view —— ——.

Samuel C. Miller, of Charm, came to this locality on Tuesday, soon after the rain, riding an unshod horse. The horse slipped and fell; in the fall Mr. Miller got his leg under the horse and the result was a broken bone.

Lee Miller, of Trail, is the Champion bicyclist of Holmes county.

Rev. Moses Miller, the oldest resident of this Twp., had been seriously ill, but is reported better.

S. Horrisberger has just completed several new buggies.

Burky & Mullet went up a steep hill with their threshing machine when the doubletree broke loose and the machine ran back and tumbled over.

Aug. 9th **E. N. BEACHY**

ILLINOIS NEWS ITEMS

Arthur, Illinois, August 8 – We were having very nice and warm weather the past few weeks, also plenty of rain.

Corn looks favorable for a big crop.

Wheat, oats and hay crops were light, although I think it will compare favorable with the same crops in other localities. Wheat averaged from 5 to 20 bu. to the acre; oats from 15 to 30 by. Thrashing is about finished.

Work is a little scarce at present, but the broom corn season will soon be at hand, when work will be plenty and good wages will be paid.

Rev. William Miller and wife, of Iowa, are here on a few weeks' visit. They expect to continue their trip eastward in a few days.

The Misses Mary Yoder, Polly Eash and Clara Miller made a short visit with Fayette Co. people.

Joseph Yoder and wife, of Newton Co., Indiana, who had been visiting friends in this locality the past few weeks, returned home yesterday. Mr. Yoder informs us that the people of Newton Co. are badly struck with Mississippi fever, and says 8 families intend to move there next spring.

Jonas Kaufman made a hurried trip to Fayette county last week. He drove through in one day, a distance of 75 miles, and was at home before the chickens went to roost.

Ben Y. Miller and wife, of Fayette county, stopped here over Sunday while on their way home from Newton county, Indiana.

Abraham J. Miller and wife were called to Newton Co., Ind., on account of the serious illness of the latter's father, B. D. Miller.

The West Prairie schoolhouse is now under roof and will soon be ready for service. It will be a fine structure.

Marx Jess went to Iowa on a few days' visit with his father and sister. **JAY SEE MILLER**

SOUTHERN NOTES

Rich Hill, Bates Co., Mo., Sept. 8 – We left Deuel Co., Neb., July 27th passing through Fillmore county, where we made a short visit with friends, and then continued our trip to McPherson county, Kansas. Here we met a number of friends, among them uncle Jerry Troyer, with whom we stayed for one week. While there we met a stranger, and after a short conversation we found him to be an Arkansas man. On inquiring whether he knew anything of A. King, I learned that I was in conversation with his son B. A. King, and invited him to accompany us, which he accepted, but said he had to go to Rice county first. I offered to take him to that place, where I found some Holmes county friends that I had lost track of. They were David A. Mast, Winfield Heims and E. M. Troyer. After a pleasant visit there we returned to uncle Jerry Troyer, who furnished us a grand supply of eatables to take along on our trip. On August 27 we resumed our journey, going due east, through the state of Kansas, and then take a southeasterly course, intending to land at Peach Orchard, Arkansas.

W. J. STUTZMAN

Thursday, August 29, 1895

FROM NORTHERN OHIO

Welshfield, Ohio, Aug. 19 – Our great drouth is broken. Everything begins to take on a new life. There are yet prospects for a fair crop of corn and late potatoes; also pastures are growing nicely.

J. C. Schlabach has dug 170 bu. of early potatoes and is not half done digging yet. He also has four acres of late potatoes, which promise a better crop.

Lightning has done its work in this vicinity lately, having burned down two barns not over twelve rods apart, inside of two weeks.

Noah D. Byler is reported to be seriously ill. About a year ago he had a tumor removed, and it seems to be growing again.

Rev. Christian J. Miller, of Saltille, and John Weaver and Joe. Weimer, of Sugarcreek were here lately, looking up a location.

Michael Miller, of Mt. Hope, is here visiting his friends.

Moses Coblentz, Jonas Gingerich and Emanuel Schlabach intend to start for Holmes and Tuscarawas Cos. this week, from where they intend to take a trip to Madison county, Ohio. **D. D. MILLER**

FROM WALNUT CREEK TOWNSHIP

We are having nice weather.

Farmers are busy sowing wheat.

Some corn has already been cut.

Mrs. D. J. Miller is on the sick list

Frederick Helmuth and wife, of Geauga county, are in our midst visiting friends.

Miss Lydia Byler, of Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, is spending a few weeks with friends here.

I. C. Hershberger and M. J. Troyer, who had been in Illinois the past summer, returned home a few weeks ago.

Abraham A. Kaufman and wife, Mrs. Peter J. Kramer and Mrs. Dena Miller will leave to-morrow for Brownstown, Illinois, to visit relatives and friends. They will also stop in Douglas county, Illinois and Newton county, Indiana.

Baptismal services were held by the Amish, last Sunday, at the residence of Benjamin M. Miller, deceased, when ten souls were received into the church by water baptism. Now, that they are brothers and sisters in the church, let them so live that they may be God's children, and be true workers in His vineyard. May they ever strive to do their duty towards God, and gather oil that they may be true and shining lights to the world. May God bless them that they may be steasfast in their undertaking.

Sept. 12th. E. N. BEACHY

NEWS NOTES FROM TRAIL

While this neck o' the woods has not been heard from for quite a while. I thought it would not come amiss to scratch a few lines for the Budget, to let its readers know that we are yet among the living.

On last Thursday evening we had the most severe rain storm that we have had for five or six years. It was a regular "pour-down," accompanied by vivid flashes of lightning. The lightning was so constant that the night was almost as clear as day. Many farmers have to resow their wheat fields on account of being washed out so badly, especially along the hillsides.

Sam. Frey will soon have his new planing mill in running order. It is built large enough that will give Mr. Frey room for a workshop in the same building. The new structure is in every respect an improvement on the one destroyed by fire sometime ago.

Our mill men are still hauling flour to Strasburg. It is quite a lot of work to haul 500 barrels of flour 15 miles. Think the boys would rather quit but that written contract has something to do with it. They buy all the wheat they can and are doing a good business.

Our school opened several weeks ago with Carles Hochstetler as teacher. They have been getting along nicely so far excepting last week when some "kids" brought a lot of dynamite primers to school and distributed them among the innocent little boys to put on the ends of their slate pencils. The greatest wonder is that not some one was blown to pieces. Parents should be careful where they put them kind of playthings.

We are puzzled to know what our teacher will do when the winter term begins, as he has already 90 scholars on roll, with an old-style room and accomodations for only 60 scholars. We never had a better reason for a school house at Trail than at present. We have the scholars and something must be done before long. The members of the Walnut Creek Board of Education, please paste this in your hats.

Sept. 16th. TRAILER

SAD OCCURENCE

On last Wednesday, about 11 o'clock the report came that an engine had broke through the bridge, crossing Sugar creek, by which Ira Wolf, the owner of the engine, was instantly killed. The news spread rapidly over town and soon a number of people had assembled at the scene of the disaster. Ed. Leavengood, who had been employed by Mr. Wolf, was with him on the engine, the other employe, Ed. Maurer, followed with the water tank, the thresher having been attached to the engine. The bridge had a double driveway, was constructed of iron, excepting wooden joist, which were in five length. The one side had been newly planked but the joist were in bad condition. When the hind wheels of the engine were nearly across the first set of joist the timbers gave way under the heavy weight, and the engine went to the bottom, a distance of 10 feet. The front wheels were already on the second set of joist, which, in falling, caused the engine to stand on the rear end. The platform on which both men were standing was badly demolished, and it is a mystery how one could come out of it with so slight injuries as Mr. Leavengood received. Mr. Leavengood at once looked for Mr. Wolf, and saw him pinioned between the had wheel and one of the joist, with his breast crushed in by the wheel. Steam was escaping from the boiler, making it very difficult to come near him. J. Roe, who happened to be near by, being on his way home to dinner from his farm, at once ran below but saw that life was extinct. Others soon came to the scene and the body was removed and taken to the home, at this place.

Interment took place Friday, at 10 o'clock, in the reformed cemetery at Shanesville, in the presence of an immense concourse of friends and acquaintances, who assembled to perform the last sad rites of a departed friend. The age of the deceased was 39 years, 11 months and 19 days. He leaves a widow, one son and many friends, who mourn the loss of a dutiful husband, a kind father and a friend to everybody. In his youth he united with the U. B. church. Funeral services were conducted by Revs. Hartman, of Shanesville, and Jones of New Philadelphia.

The occurrence is indeed a sad one and spreads gloom over our entire community, and the feeling of every heart should go forth in sympathy to the bereft wife, son and friends. This once more reminds us very forcibly that "In the midst of life we are in death."

BRANCH PLANTATION IN N. C.

The following is part of a letter descriptive of the Branch-Blount plantation, written by Major Wm. A. Blount, one of the owners of this remarkable tract of land.

Chockwinty, Beauford Co., N. C., Aug. 10 – During your visit to N. C. you expressed in my presence a wish for an accurate description of this

ence a wish for an accurate written description of this immediate section. Having resided here for at least fifty years, most of the time, I feel in a measure gratified to comply with your request.

I will refer you, in order that you may more thoroughly understand the locality, to U. S. Coast Survey map of Pamlico river, plate 1640, by Capt. Dow, U.S.N.

Five miles below Washington, county seat of Beaufort Co. on the south side of the river, a small creek, (Rice Patch) enters Chockwinty bay. There begins the northern boundary of the tract of country I purpose giving a description of. Thence easterly around with river and Blount's bay to mouth of Blount's creek, is the north boundary––Blount's creek being the east boundary, Chockwinty the western. The line dividing counties of Beauford & Craven being the south boundary. This line is not on map referred to, it being about 9 miles from river to said line.

The lands bordering on river and bays are much broken: bluffs 10 to 15 ft. high, or ravines caused by branches bringing the water falling on table lands further back.

The land from river to public road leading from Washington to Aurora, (say 1¼ miles) are considerably broken; thin, but productive soil, well suited for orchards, vineyards, trucking etc. The clay makes fine brick and tile. The original growth of these lands was pine, some oak, hickory, dogwood, etc.; all fit for mill purposes has been cut off years ago.

Going south from public road you pass through a different country; much more level, and a little better soil. The orininal growth was long-leaf or turpentine pine. That has been used up, and is now a growth of short-straw pine, exclusively. Many deposits of shell marl on this tract near surface.

Having gone 1½ miles you approach the Blount & Branch farm, when the growth and soil both, undergo a visible change. You see large poplar, sweet gum, white & red oak, large, occasionally very large pine. The soil is blackish gray, underlayed by very tenacious clay, or shell marl. A similar growth, perhaps larger, occupies the south half of the farms.

These lands are very fertile and lasting; the application of shell marl, of which there is an abundance, is all that is necessary to keep them up under continuous cultivation. The farms contain 1,800 acres of cleared land in one dody, the canals and ditches being cut by compass, due E. & W., N. & S. The fall, although the land is apparently perfectly level, is 8 ft. to the mile from S. towards N.

When we pass the northern half of the farms we come to a different soil and different growth; the soil being black loam, from 18 to 20 inches in depth, underlayed by a very adhesive clay, sometimes beds of marl. These lands drain E. & W. into Blount and Chockwinty creeks; these streams run nearly parallel to each other, about 5½ miles apart, nearly to Craven county line, affording drainage for lands lying south of farms. Large cypress, (3 to 5 ft. in diameter) poplar, sweet gum, elm, maple, etc., grow here; these lands are remarkably fertile, and the simple application of the marl both retains and increases fertility. The lands lying south of farms, to Craven county line, are similar as far as our experience and knowledge extends.

(to be continued)

Thursday, September 19, 1895

BRANCH PLANTATION IN N. C.

(continued from last week)

The elevation of our farms is from 30 to 35 feet above tide water at river, and the lands are known to rise, towards the south, until they reach an elevation of 45 feet––the watershed between the Pamlico and Neuse rivers.

We grow cotton, tobacco, corn, rice, wheat, oats, peas, potatoes, in fact we can successfully grow anything that that can be grown in similar latitudes.

thing that can be grown in similar latitudes. Clover and the grasses grow well here, but since the war they have commended little attention; neccessity causing the cultivation of cotton as a money crop to monoplize the entire attention.

On our bays, river and creeks there are a number of fisheries, from which are shipped to the north in the spring large quantities of shad, herring, etc.; there is good fishing at any season of year.

Our climate is mild and apreeable; seldom very cold in winter, then only 3 or 4 days at a time. In summer not often very hot.

We obtain pure, cool, healthy water by sinking wells from 15 to 22 ft. putting in a suitable curb to to keep out the surface water.

With the natural range which we have, both winter and summer, on large part of section described, I am satisfied a very lucrative business could be made in stock raising; cattle, sheep, hogs, etc. It is seldom we have to feed our cattle during winter. The transportation to northern markets more expeditious, and at far less expense and risk than from the west. Steamers to northern markets pass our landing daily. With all these advantages, it will naturally be asked, why are not these lands thickly settled, highly improved, and herds of fine cattle to be seen everywhere? The answer is this: "Prior to the war large bodies or tracts of land were for many reasons, considered very desirable by those able to hold them, as homesteads for themselves and descendants. The lands just described, or a great part of them, have been in my immediate ancestors' possession since their entry in 1793; they having been entered by my grandfather, John Gray Blount. Since the war times changed and men with them. The reason such large tracts are not wanted now is the demoralization of our labor, but particularly the want of money to improve the lands."

Now it is both the interest and desire of those who own these large tracts of land to cut them up into small holdings to induce active, industrious, energetic men, of moderate means, from the North and West, who live in over crowded sections, to come down and make their homes among us, and help develop these fine lands and build up new industries, thereby ameliorating their own condition and adding greatly to the prosperity of this section. Such persons would receive a hearty welcome, and meet with nothing but kindly treatment, and it would be long after settling here they would be called, as the rest of us are, "Tar Heels."

Since writing the foregoing I find I have dealt exclusively with the essentials, leaving out luxuries.

We grow fruits of all kinds: (except strictly tropical) Apples, peaches, plums, apricots, nectrines, figs––the last not always a certain crop. Blackberries and huckleberries are superabundant and can be gathered in quantities to suit home use or shipment.

Fish are caught and shipped during every month of the year, and we have oysters and clams, one or the other, every month of the year––the two latter are not products of the waters in our immediate vicinity, but can be had with little trouble or expense.

This is the home of the grape, "Scuppernong." Large quantities of it grow on our ditch banks, and in our woods.

As I have given you a full, honest description of this section, I will conclude, fearing if I say more You will impugn my veracity.

Yours Truly, Wm. A. Blount

BRANCH PLANTATION IN N. C.

This plantation is on an elevation of 45 ft. above the level of the river, the river being two miles from said plantation. This affords ample drainage for the 13,000 acres, and more. The tide waters do not rise more than 12 inches in the river at the plantation, so there can never be any overflowing of the lands by water. Land is now perfectly drained, as can be seen by anyone that investigates the land that is under cultivation, and some of it has been cultivated nearly one hundred years.

The top soil is black, mucky, with a clay subsoil, and the marl deposit underneath said land in sufficient quantities for many hundred years to come. This land lays on the south side of the Pamlico river, and Blunt's creek passes by the plantation and empties into Pamlico river. Ocean vessels can go within two miles of said plantation, which is about 8 miles from the county seat, where Railroad transportation is found. A railroad has been surveyed from New Bern to Washington, N. C., which survey passes through said plantation. Your markets are such cities as Washington D. C., New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Boston, etc., which are the best markets in America, with both water and railroad transportation to those cities

You have good, fresh and pure water; not warm water, as you find in many localities in the south.

You can raise clover, timothy, wheat, oats, corn, cotton, tobacco, rice, peanuts, and all kinds of vegetables.

There is regular rainfall; never known to have long continueing drouths, or severe storms. Two and three crops are generally raised in one season. Cattle should be stall fed from Jan. 1st to April 1st to do well (but will not suffer much if left to take care of itself)

This is an excellent place for raisng poultry; eggs frequently sell from 25 to 30¢ per dozen during the winter season, and by a little attention you can get spring chickens ready for the market in January and February, for which you can get 20 to 25¢ per lb. on the market. It is also a good place for turkeys and ducks.

All kinds of fruits, such as apples, pears, plums, peaches and quinces, can be successfully grown, also grapes and other small fruits.

As regards health, I would not know where to find a more healthy locality; there you have the pine and salt water air combined which forms the best ozone that a person can brethe. We claim we have as healthy a location in Shanesville as anywhere, yet we also have sickness here. I do not believe that a spot can be found in America where there is no sickness under certain conditions.

Having received very encouraging letters from Indiana, Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska, we have made arrangements with the R. R. companies for a Home seekers' excursion on October 2nd. Train to leave Columbus, O., at 7:10, A.M., arriving at Richmond, Va., 8:20, A.M., Oct. 3rd; arrive at Washington, N.C., evening of the 3rd. Fare for the round trip will be about $18.00, or less, from Columbus, Ohio.

Any other information will be cheerfully given by the undersigned at Shanesville, O., or S. S. Yoder, Loan & Trust Bldg., Washington, D.C.

DR. A. T. MILLER

LETTER FROM INDIANA

Waupecong, Indiana, August 26 – Rain is badly needed.

Pasture is about all gone and farmers have to feed their stock. Trees in the woods are dying.

Every well driller is busy, some are working day and night.

D. W. Sommers left for Douglas and Fayette counties, Illinois, on a visit.

Abe. Mast will leave with his family and household goods for Douglas County, Ill.

L. Sommers and B. F. Shank, the wholesale butchers, are doing a big business. They average 16 head a week.

This is the first year in the history of this community that the hay crop was a flat failure.

Shrock & King are busy hauling straw.

Levi Shrock traded his baling machine for fine stable horse.

Health is good in this locality. REPORTER

Thursday, September 5, 1895

FROM THE NORTHWEST

Brewster, Minnesota, August 26 – Threshing is still in progress; the wheat yield varies from 20 to 36 bushels to the acre, in Jackson county; oats yields from 60 to 80 by.; and barley from 30 to 50 bu.

Some of the farmers are plowing, some are making hay, while others are cutting glax. This is the busiest

hay, while others are cutting flax. This is the busiest time I have ever seen. Corn cutting will soon be at hand.

Benj. Weaver and Abe. Kauffman, of Holmes Co., Ohio, were in our midst over Sunday. They came here from North Dakota. Gideon J. Hostetler, formerly of Indiana, but now of N. Dak., was also in this community.

We are having nice weather, with an occasional shower of rain.

We are well as usual. ISAAC SLABACH

FROM COSHOCTON COUNTY

Bakersville, Ohio, August 24 – Warm and dry weather.

Farmers are busy plowing their ground for fall seeding.

We have scarcely enough water to run the flouring mill regular.

Mr. Stonebrook informs us that they have to stop the woolen mill on account of the scarcity of water; the supply will hardly be sufficient for to-day.

Health is good in this locality. A. D. MILLER

HAWKEYE GLEAMINGS.

Sharon Center, Iowa, August 26 – Health is good in our midst.

People are busy threshing their grain. Wheat yields from 10 to 25 bu. per acre; Oats, 30 to 75 bu.

Cutting corn will soon be at hand. Corn will be a heavy crop.

We have had a heavy rain lately which was badly needed.

Peter M. Yoder and wife went of Douglas and Moultrie counties, Illinois on a visit.

David S. Yoder and wife, of near Kalona, left for Holmes Co., Ohio, which place Mr. Yoder left 25 yrs. ago.

Iowa City market: Wheat, 50 to 60¢; oats, 16 to 18¢; potatoes, 25 to 35¢; butter, 12 to 14¢; eggs, 9¢; lard, 8¢; hay, $8. Livestock Shipping steers, 3 to 5¢; Butchering stock, 2½ to 3¢; Sheep, 3½¢; Hogs, 3¾ to RB.

4¢. Yours Truly, A. B. MILLER

LETTER FROM KANSAS

Haven, Kansas, August 29 – Nice growing weather. We had good rains on last Friday and Sunday.

Farmers are busy making hay, which is a good crop.

Mrs. John D. Nisley has been on the sick list for some time but is slowly improving.

D. D. Miller has quit hauling milk on account of sickness.

Mr. Blake shipped a car load of hogs on Tuesday.

Frank Hill, who had been visiting friends in the East for several months, returned home on Mon.

T. D. Yoder sold his farm, consisting of 80 acres, to his neighbor, Joe Trisler, for $2,700.

Quite a number of McPherson youngsters Sundayed with friends in this community.

Fred Yoken and A. A. Borntrager, who had made a trip to the "Cherikee Stfip," returned home on last Friday.

Mrs. Jonas J. Yoder and Jacob Lambright, of LaGrange county, Indiana, arrived here to-day. Mr. Yoder expects to arrive at Hutchinson on Sat. with his car load of livestock and household goods.

Yoder and Miller traded one of their old engines on a new one. They are now rustling over the country with a bran' new outfit.

Mr. D——, du must ocht gevva vo du de butter shissel onna stelst, for se is in gafohr.

D. M. YODER

NEWS-NOTES FROM PENNSYLVANIA

East Brook, Pa., August 24 – Frost on the morning of the 22, but nothing hurt.

We are having favorable corn weather, only cool at nights. Corn will be a good crop where no replanting had to be done.

The oats crop is the best for many years; yielding from 40 to 60 bushels to the acre.

Pasture is in good condition yet.

Eli Stutzman and wife, of Geauga county, Ohio, had been in our midst. While here they met with an accident which night have resulted seriously. In driving down a steep hill the snap on the backhold broke, letting the buggy on the hirse's heels, which broke, letting the buggy on the horse's heels, which started to run, throwing the occupants out of the buggy. The result was a few bruises and a pair of black eyes.

On last Saturday Peter Zook, of Neshannock Falls, was found dead at his barn, having just returned from a ride. He had unhitched his horse and was in the act of pushing his buggy in the shed when death overtook him, where he was found lying between the shafts and having a hold on either side. Funeral took place on Tuesday. The deceased was aged 70 years and 7 months; and leaves 7 grown up children to mourn the loss of a kind, affectionate father.

Mrs. Phebe Plank, aged nearly 90 years, is on the sick list.

D. H. Byler and J. K. Detweiler have their cider mills ready for business, although apples are not very plenty.

Joseph H. Byler and wife and Mrs. John Byler expect to make a trip to Mifflin county, this state, in in the near future.

David Z. Byler has rented the Phillips farm and will move about October 1st.

N. Helmuth of Partridge, Kansas: I have nothing more to say, only, of the shoe fits you I would advise you to wear it. You asked me what "smoke of prosperity" is. It is similar to smoke of "Buffalo chips," only that it has a different smell.

The market: Wheat, 72¢; oats, 30¢; corn, 30¢; single bu.; hay, $15 per ton; butter 22b; eggs, 15¢ sweet corn roasting ears, 10¢ per dozen; potatoes, 50¢ per bu.

BOWSER

Thursday, September 12, 1895

THE LOST IS FOUND

Through a private letter we are informed that Solomon Helmuth, an old resident of near Waupecong, Indiana, who so mysteriously left home and family several years ago, was found and taken home last Saturday. No clue could be found of his whereabouts until about a week ago, when a man from DeKalb Co., Ind., came to the vicinity of Waupecong, and when mention was made of this occurrence he informed them that there was a man in his community answering the description of Mr. Helmuth. On last Saturday Cornelius E. Hostetler went there and found him as the man had informed them, and he brought him home. He looks fresh and robust and is apparently in the best of health.

SOUTHERN NOTES.

Midland, Virginia, August 31 – Weather had been very dry for some time, but we had a good shower of of rain on Thursday.

Farmers are mostly done digging potatoes, which made an excellent yield, and are selling at 25¢ per bushel.

Plums had been very plenty, but are all gone. Peaches are an abundant crop, and are selling from nix up to 50¢ per bushel. Apples are also plenty wherever there are any trees.

The wall for Samuel Beachy's new house is nearing completion.

David S. Beachy, wife and two children gave us a short but pleasant visit. They left on the 27th for their home in Illinois. Such visits are always appreciated.

Michael Smoker and wife, Samuel Petersheim and wife, Gideon Sommers and wife, Mrs. Gideon Stoltzfus, Mrs. John Kennel, Mrs. Lizzie Ummel, Samuel Glick, George Raum, and a few others, of Conestoga Valley and Lancaster, Pa. were in our midst over Sunday.

Kline Bros. are out with a new thresher. They are also putting up a brick kile.

Ninety-nine was the highest the thermometer registered here this summer.

The market: Wheat, 65¢; butter, from 13 to 20¢; eggs, 11¢; chickens, (live) 11 to 12¢.

Respectfully Yours, Mrs. S. S. Beachy

FROM THE EMPIRE STATE

Belfort, Lewis Co., New York, Sept. 2 – We are having fine weather at present.

Hay was a light crop. Considerable corn has been planted for fodder, which makes a big crop.

Oats are a good crop, as are also potatoes.

John and Daniel Jantzi, of Canada, spent the summer in this locality. They are at present in the big woods, cutting logs.

J. M. ZEHR

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Today the situation of the Nazarenes is still reminiscent of early Anabaptist times since there is still tension and at times outright persecution by the State and the large, more-or-less official, churches.

The next question that one must consider is what is "plain." The Nazarenes are the only church body in eastern Europe who consistently refuse military service. This results in prison sentences that run from three to ten years in various areas. In the past some have served as many as thirty years in prison for refusing military service while others have been shot by firing squads for refusing to take the gun. Their refusal of taking the oath has resulted in problems but none as severe as in the case of the military.

Simple patterns of dress are worn by the members in accordance with their simple faith. The women wear coverings in the form of a babushka or frequently a simple scarf. Some women wear them all the time and others only while in prayer. This varies with ages and areas. Simple cut dresses with sombre colors are usually worn. In many areas the men wear no neckties and dress in modest cut clothes. No rings or other jewelry are worn. No other Anabaptist group in Europe has retained this degree of simplicity in dress and living.

Those who are acquainted with their history consider Menno Simons one of their spiritual ancestors just as do the Mennonites. They feel quite strongly about immersion as the only proper manner of baptism. Most of them do accept Mennonites as their brethren if they have a similar faith and practice.

We need to be thankful that there is a witness to our simple non-resistant Anabaptist faith in these where all religion is discouraged and the Nazarenes are at best only tolerated. We need to pray for them to continue their witness and fellowship which among them knows no bounds of language or ethnic origin.

Editorial Note – This letter was presented to me upon my request by a Christian friend whom I have visited, and conversed with on this subject openly. He has personally visited this church in Eastern Europe and maintains it to be the only plain, non-resistant church in Europe today. As you have read in this article, they are of pure Anabaptist faith and believe as we do. While we are gifted with privileges of worshiping in a land of freedom, they are constantly being watched, fined, imprisoned, and persecuted for their faith. Many are enduring hardships today in this manner and due to heavy fines, and able-bodied men being in prison, many have financial problems confronting them in raising a family.

My friend has asked to have his name omitted to stay clear of European Authorities, and to avoid being harmful to this church in Europe. However, anyone desiring more information of this church, or should anyone feel moved to contribute in any manner, this can be worked out confidentially by a letter to me and I will advise contacts to my friend. Joseph F. Beiler

ARE THERE STILL PLAIN MENNONITES OR AMISH IN EUROPE?

A simple "yes" or "no" answer to this question is not a satisfactory one. But the complete explanation is of considerable interest to enyone concerned about our faith and practice.

One must first of all define the two terms, "Mennonite" and "plain." Such names as "Mennonite," "Amish," and "Anabaptist" were originally given to persons of our faith by non-members. Among themselves they called each other "Brethren" or "Believers." Even today in Switzerland, France, and even the Natherlands (home of Menno Simons) the name "Mennonite" is not ordinarily used. Rather, other names as "Taufgesinnten," "Taufer," "Doopsgezinde" are in use.

To confuse matters further in the same country various names may be used. In Switzerland, for instance, the "Taufer" are also called "Wiedertaufer," a more direct equivalent of the term Anabaptist. As is well known, the 1693 division resulted in two groups known by various names, the most common of which for the new group became "Amische." Because of considerable migration of both groups in Switzerland their numbers and spirit were so weakened that they finally combined efforts in this little country about a hundred years ago.

In the 1830s the spiritual life in the earliest Swiss congregation, the Emmental, was very low Many were attracted to a discontent State-Church minister who preached some of the same doctrine which they believed and he adopted others from them. Many were attracted to his live spiritual message from various faiths but particularly from the "Taufer." Rather quickly congregations arose in Switzerland and just as soon a name had to be invented for them. So, what had been simply "Taufer" now became "Alt-Taufer" and "Neu-Taufer." Through the efforts of various leaders of the "Neu-Taufer," but especially their founder, Samuel Heinrich Frohlich, their faith spread very repidly into neighboring Alsace, Baden, and Wurttemberg.

By the early part of the century when groups needed to have more definite names for legal matters, both the Alt- and the Neu-Taufer had to select names for themselves. Today the Alt-Taufer are officially known as ALTEVANGELISCHE TAUFGESINNTEN GEMEINDEN and the Neu-Taufer are officially known as GEMEINSCHAFT EVANGELISCHE TAUFGESINNTER. To confuse matters even more the NEU-TAUFER had a division about 1900 primarily over outward appearance, one group feeling that the introduction of the wearing of mustaches was not proper. They separated so that now locally the groups are referred to as the "geschnautzte" and the "ungeschnautzte." Although officially they retained the identical name, the less conservative group attach in parenthesis the name NAZARENER.

The remarkable part of the history of the NEU-TAUFER is that already in the second decade of their existence they spread beyond the Germanic language area through Hungarian shoemaker apprentices from Budapest who spent their Wanderjahr in Zurich and there became converted to this faith. Upon their return they formed a Fellowship among their friends and relatives. At the time this was a part of the great Austro-Hungarian Empire of which the Hapsburgs were the rulers.

Again, it is remarkable to note that God did not see fit to keep this Anabaptist faith only within the Hungarian ethnic-language people but here it spread very rapidly throughout this kingdom, particularly during the period of the 1850s to the 1890s. Congregations were formed among the Serbians, Slovakians, Romanians, and Bulgarians. Their hymnal was translated into most of these languages. The name that they soon adopted was NAZARENE. Christ Himself was a Nazarine, they explained.

The Hapsburgs were strong protectors of the Roman Catholic Organization so had little use for such groups as these Nazarenes who had a simple non-resistant faith. Persecution and imprisonment, even executions, have been a part of their history from that time until today.

At the end of the First World War the Hapsburg Kingdom was dissolved and made a part of the countries of Austria, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, and Romania. In each of these countries there were a number of congregations of Nazarenes. Their dealings with these new countries was little better than the old regime. After World War II the story changed again. Most of these countries became Socialist Republics. In some areas they were treated better and in others not as well as previously.

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LEBANON COUNTY, PA.

MAN DROWNED WHILE FISHING

Widower Jacob Z. Smoker, 80, Myerstown R3, Pa. drowned in Schrack's dam while fishing. The family believe he drowned some time Wedensday P.M., Oct. 27. His body was not found till 10 o'clock the next morning. The dam breast consists of cobble stone, edged in and has about a 45 degree angle. They are very slippery. He may have slipped while casting. He was found in 12 feet of water on his back.

(see obituary)

THREE-YEAR-OLD HAD LEUKEMIA

Norman D. Beachy, 3, son of Dan L. and Sarah (Raber) Beachy of Sugarcreek R2, Ohio, died early Friday morning, October 22 at his residence after a one-year illness with leukemia. A brother Nelson D., of the home; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi M. Beachy of Sugarcreek R2 and Dan E. Raber of Sugarcreek R1, survive. Funeral services were held by Bishop Jonas N. Bontrager. Burial was in the Miller Cem.

OHIO MAN DIED AFTER HIP INJURY

Daniel J. Yoder, 86, of R4, Millersburg, Ohio, died Tuesday afternoon, October 19 in his home of complications of a fractured hip after a 2 month illness. He was born in Holmes Co., a son of the late Jacob J. and Mary (Miller) Yoder. He was a retired farmer. His wife, Barbara died in 1949. Surviving are 2 daughters, Mrs. Mike S. (Susan) Miller of R3, Millersburg and Miss Mary Yoder of the home: 5 sons, Noah D., Jacob D. and Neal D. of R4, Millersburg, Eli D. of R5, Millersburg and Dan D. of R1, Baltic; 2 half-sisters, Mrs. Katie Schlabach and Miss Sarah Yoder of R3, Millersburg; 3 half-brothers, John J. of R1, Sugarcreek, Christ J. of R4, Millersburg, and Abe J. of Clark; 1 brother, Noah J. of R1, Baltic; 27 grandchildren; 59 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Andy J. Yoder. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery.

LANC. CO., PA. MAN KILLED BY MULE KICK

Jacob S. Glick, 29, New Holland R1, Pa. was killed instantly about 1:30 p.m. Friday, October 15, when a mule kicked him in the face. He was working with a hired hand, Jacob R. Zook, when the accident occurred. Glick was trying to adjust a harness on a mule when the animal kicked him with both legs. Cause of death was severed spinal cord due to a fracture of cervical spine and fractured facial bones.

(see obituary)

PA. WOMAN IS VICTIM OF CANCER

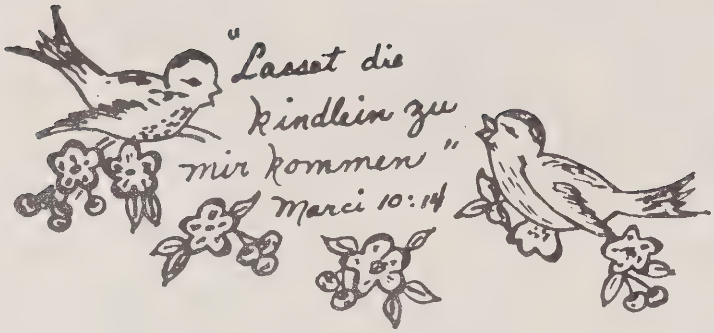
Mrs. Lizzie B. Esh, 42, wife of Jonathan S. Esh, Christiana R1, Pa. died Thursday, October 28 at her home after a lengthy illness of Cancer. Born in Kinzer, she was a daughter of Elam A. and Sadie (Beiler) Stoltzfus, Kinzer R1. In addition to her husband and parents, she is survived by three sons, Amos, David and Jerre, all at home, and four brothers and sisters, Malinda, wife of David Blank, Strasburg R1; Emma, wife of Jacob Glick, Kinzer; Elmer, Gap R2, and Miss Elsie Stoltzfus, Kinzer R1.

Funeral services were held at the late home Sat., October 30 by Levi Riehl and Amos F. Stoltzfus. Burial was at Bart Cemetery.

OHIO CHILD HAD CYSTIC FIBROSIS

Daniel A. Yoder, two-month-old son of Albert N. and Barbara (Troyer) Yoder of R4, Millersburg, Ohio, died of cystic fibrosis on Tuesday, October 12, in his home. He was born at Wooster. Surviving in addition to the parents are four brothers and three sisters, Jonas, Gideon, Noah, Reuben, Mary, Esther, and Ruth of the home, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Noah L. Yoder of R1, Baltic, and Mr. and Mrs. Ben G. Troyer of R4, Millersburg. A sister and a brother preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held by Bishops David E. Yoder and Eli E. Hershberger. Burial was in the Yoder family cemetery in Berlin Township.



BIRTHS
Lancaster County, Pennsylvania
BEILER, John L. (Sylvia S. Glick) Christiana R1
a daughter MARY, October 1
BEILER, Josiah (Sarah Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1
a son AMOS S., October 22
BLANK, Henry (Naomi Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1
a daughter KATIE ANN, October 19
ESH, Aaron K. (Sylvia K. Lapp) Quarryville R3
a son AARON L., October 5
ESH, David B. (Mary Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1
a son JOHN S., October 6
FISHER, Benuel M. (Mary Lapp) 384 E. Main St., Leola
a son BENUEL M. JR., October 4
FISHER, Christian M. (Fannie Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1
a daughter FANNIE, October 5
FISHER, Elmer S. (Katie E. Glick) Bird-in-Hand R1
a son DANIEL G., October 24
FISHER, Jonas K. (Lydia Lapp) Kirkwood R1
a daughter RACHEL L., October 13
FISHER, Levi S. (Naomi Beiler) Bird-in-Hand R1
a son MARVIN B., October 11
FISHER, Omar S. (Rebecca K. Esh) Ronks R1
a son BENNIE K., October 30
FISHER, Stephen (Sarah King) Quarryville R3
a daughter SYLVIA K., October 29
GLICK, David F. (Susie F. Stoltzfoos) Quarryville R3
a daughter SUSIE S., October 12
GLICK, Moses S. (Elizabeth F. Stoltzfoos)
New Providence R1, a dau REBECCA F., Oct. 15
KING, David B. (Anna S. Riehl) Honey Brook R2
a son DANIEL R., October 4
KING, Henry S. (Nancy E. Riehl) Millport Rd., Lititz R3
a son EPHRAIM, October 24
KING, John B. (Barbara K. Zook) Paradise R1
a daughter MARTHA Z., October 21
KING, Jonathan S. (Hannah Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1
a daughter LENA, October 17
KING, Sylvan S. (Elizabeth King) Paradise R1
a son SYLVAN JR., October 8
LAPP, Aaron E. (Mattie S. Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1
a daughter LEAH S., October 26
LAPP, Daniel B. (Sylvia Glick) 195 Horseshoe Rd.,
Leola, a daughter NAOMI MAE, October 16
LAPP, Enos K. (Mary Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1
a son JONAS S., October 17
LAPP, Jacob E. (Annie Riehl) Gordonville R1
a daughter SYLVIA R., October 25
LAPP, John K.(Rebecca S. Smucker) Paradise R1
a son JONAS S., October 19
LAPP, Jonas K. (Lydia R. Miller) Strasburg R1
a daughter RACHEL M., October 28
LAPP, Samuel (Sara Beiler) Gordonville R1
a daughter MARY ANN, October 15
MILLER, Ephraim K. (Emma Esh) 2455 Bachman Rd.
Lancaster,a son JOHN E., October 11
MILLER John F. (Hannah S. Fisher) Paradise R1
a daughter SARAH ANN, October 17
MILLER, Joseph S. (Annie K. Lapp) Paradise R1
a daughter SYLVIA L., October 25
RIEHL, John F. (Lydia Stoltzfus) New Providence R1
a son B. JOHN, October 25
SMOKER, Jonas F. (Lydia Beiler) Gordonville R1
a son JOHN ELMER, October 15
SMUCKER, Amos J. (Mary King) Honey Brook R1
a daughter BARBARA, October 9
STOLTZFUS, Abram F. (Katie B. Fisher) Leola R1
a daughter MARY F., October 30
STOLTZFUS, Elmer (Lydia Esh) Talmage
a daughter LYDIA S., October 20
STOLTZFUS, Levi (Mary Miller) Kirkwood R1
a daughter ANNIE M., October 16
STOLTZFUS, Levi M. (Katie Beiler) Narvon R2
a son OMAR H., October 10
STOLTZFUS, Levi S. (Annie Miller) Kirkwood R1
a son DANIEL M., October 29
STOLTZFUS, S. Levi (Sadie King) Leola R1
a daughter REBECCA, October 1
STOLTZFUS, Stevie S. (Annie Stoltzfus) Honey Brook R1
a son STEVIE S. JR., October 3
ZOOK, Amos Z. (Emma Allgyer) Gap R1
a daughter REBECCA A., October 25
ZOOK, Jonas S. (Elizabeth S. Esh) 729 Hartman St. Rd.
Lancaster, a son JACOB E., October 31
ZOOK, Levi (Sarah Miller) Ronks R1
a daughter EMMA M., October 21

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania
KANAGY, Aquilla (Annie Peachey) Belleville
a son TITUS, October 1
KANAGY, Steven (Lizzie Yoder) Belleville
a son TOBIAS, October 2
RENNO, John (Elsie Byler) Belleville
a daughter LAVINA, October 24
PEACHEY, Benjamin (Sadie Yoder) Belleville
a daughter ELLA, October 24
YODER, Noah (Mattie Kanagy) Mill Creek
a son EPHRAIM, October 12

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St. Mary's County, Maryland

HERTZLER, David (Sarah Swarey) Charlotte Hall
a daughter SUSANNA, October 3
KING, Sam (Lizzie Yoder) Mechanicsville
a daughter EMMA, October 29
KURTZ, Gideon (Rachel Hertzler) Mechanicsville
a son BENNIE, October 22

Holmes and Wayne Counties, Ohio

BARKMAN, Mr. and Mrs. Eli, Fresno R3
a son
HERSHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs. Andy M., Millersburg R4
a daughter MARY
HERSHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L.,
Millersburg R5, a daughter ANNA MARIE
HOSTETLER, Mr. and Mrs. Joe D., Fredericksburg R2
a son
HOSTETLER, Mr. and Mrs. Rober D., Millersburg R5
a son
KAUFFMAN, Mr. and Mrs. Firman N., Sugar Creek R2
a son JONAS
KUHNS, Mr. and Mrs. William M., Holmesville R1
a daughter SUSAN
MAST, Mr. and Mrs. Paul E., Sugar Creek R2
a son MATTHIAN DANIEL
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Abe W., Millersburg R4,
a daughter
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Andy E., Millersburg Star Rt.
a daughter
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Eli J., Dundee R1
twins MARILYN and MIRIAM
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Joas D., Millersburg
a daughter MIRIAM
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas D., Millersburg R5
a daughter ADA
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Lester B., Millersburg R5
a daughter EMMA MAE
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Levi L., Dundee R1
a son
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin J., Millersburg R4
a son MARCUS
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Mose L., Millersburg Star Rt.
a daughter ELSIE
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Noah J., Baltic R1
a daughter
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Perry M., Sugar Creek R2
a daughter
MULLET, Mr. and Mrs. William, Millersburg Star Rt.
a son
NISLEY, Mr. and Mrs. Mose A., Millersburg R2
a daughter ADA MAE
RABER, Mr. and Mrs. Eli A., Millersburg R5
a son
RABER, Mr. and Mrs. John A., Millersburg R2
a daughter ESTA
SCHLABACH, Mr. and Mrs. Roman S., Baltic R1
a son NOAH
SMUCKER, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin E., Sugar Creek R1
a son VERNON
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Levi H., Sugar Creek R2
a daughter MARILYN ANN
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben L., Sugar Creek R1
a son MARK
TROYER, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon J., Sugar Creek R2
a daughter MARINETA
WEAVER, Mr. and Mrs. Edward W., Mt. Eaton
a daughter
WEAVER, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson B., Dundee R2
a son BEN
WENGARD, Mr. and Mrs. Andy E., Millersburg Star Rt.
a daughter CAROL ANN
WENGERD, Mr. and Mrs. Eli J., Dalton
a daughter
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Crist J. C., Millersburg R3
a son ROY
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Christ M., Sugar Creek R1
a daughter
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Levi N., Fresno R3
a son
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond M., Millersburg R4
a son JOSEPH

Adams County, Indiana

EICHER, Jake V (Emma Gingerich) Berne R2
a son DAN, October 18
EICHER, Paul V. (Margaret Schwartz) Geneva R2
a daughter BARBARA, September 14
SCHWARTZ, John L. (Elizabeth Schwartz) Monroe R1
a son WILLIAM, October 23
SCHWARTZ, Levi A. (Margaret E. Schwartz) Monroe R1
a daughter ANNA, October 18
SCHWARTZ, Levi O. (Barbara Wickey) Berne R1
a son LEVI, October 11

LaGrange County, Indiana

BEACHY, Daniel (Alma Miller) Topeka R2
twin daughters MARY D. & MARTHA D., October 1
BONTRAGER, Delbert (Susie Yoder) Topeka R2
a son MELVIN RAY, October 24
BONTRAGER, Leo (Martha Hochstedler) Topeka R2
a son DEVON DEAN, October 23
EICHER, Joe (Esther Gingerich) Middlebury R2
a daughter NAOMI, October 18
FRY, David (Mattie Yoder) Topeka R2
a son Melvin D., October 4
HOCHSTEDLER, Levi (Katie Raber) LaGrange R1
a daughter BARBARA, September 27
HOSTETLER, Freeman (Darle Mae Miller) Topeka R2
a daughter INEZ, October 10
LEHMAN, Perry (Fannie Bontrager)
a son GLEN P., October
MAST, Mervin (Anna Miller) LaGrange R4
a daughter MARTHA M., October 12
MAST, Samuel J. (Gertie Miller) Millersburg R1
a daughter LINDA, October 5
MILLER, Henry N. (Edna Yoder) LaGrange R4
a son PERRY H., October 20
MILLER, Orley (Vera Mullet) Topeka R1
a son LARRY DEAN, September 28
RABER, Joseph (Martha Slabach) Shipshewana R1
a son JOSEPH JR., October 23
YODER, John (Katie Miller) LaGrange R4
a son SAMUEL J., October 1
YODER, Melvin (Elsie Miller) LaGrange R4
a daughter IDA SUE, October 11

BIRTHS, continued

Daviess County, Indiana

GRABER, Harvey (Leah Wagler)
a daughter MARY ANN, September 1
GRABER, Jerome (Catherine Eicher)
a daughter SUSAN, September 10
GRABER, Lloyd (Sylvia Wagler)
a son NORMAN WAYNE, October 21
KNEPP, Amos (Margaret Graber)
a daughter WILMA JEAN, September 20
KNEPP, David (Wanda Wagler)
a son STANLEY, September 27
LAMBRIGHT, John (Joan Raber)
a son JOSEPH, October 1
RABER, Menno (Fannie Knepp)
a daughter ESTHER LORENE, September 27
STOLL, Levi (Pauline Graber)
a daughter CLARA MAE, October 20
WAGLER, Henry G. (Viola Knepp)
a son LOREN DALE, September 23
WAGLER, Vernon (Deliah Raber)
a son MARK LEON, October 27
YODER, Lester (Marie Raber)
a daughter MAJORIE, October 13

Arthur, Illinois

BEACHEY, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin
a son, October
HERSCHBERGER, Elia (Ruby Yoder)
a daughter LEONA KAY, October 4
HERSCHBERGER, Nelson M. (Clara C. Bontrager)
a son EUGENE, October 10
HERSCHBERGER, Omer (Martha Miller)
a daughter IRMA LOUISE, October 18
PLANK, Harvey (Katie Schlabaugh)
a son WILMER
SCHROCK, Omer (Lizzie Beachey)
a daughter SHARON KAY, October
YODER, Levi J. (Lydia May Herschberger)
a son, October 2

Buchanan County, Iowa

BONTRAGER, Mose (Amanda Hershberger)
Fairbank, a daughter MAEY, September 28
GINGERICH, Joe (Elizabeth Nisly) Hazleton
a daughter MALINDA, October 5
LAMBRIGHT, Neal (Viola Hershberger) Hazleton
a son LEVI, October 3
MILLER, Sam (Lydia Bontrager) Hazleton
a daughter ANNA, October 24
RABER, Roman (Emma Hershberger) Hazleton
a daughter KATIE, September 30
SHETLER, Ivan (Mary Yutzy) Hazleton
a son FREEMAN, October 4
YODER, Felty (Betty Miller) Hazleton
a son CHRISTY, September 29

Johnson County, Iowa

BEACHY, Eldon (Fannie Herschberger)
a son PERRY, October 25 (first child)
MILLER, Alvin (Ruby Bontrager)
a daughter LINDA FERN, October 7
MILLER, Fenton (Lydia Chupp)
a daughter SUSAN
YODER, Vernon (Inez Kauffman)
a son LEONARD LLOYD, October 2
YODER, Pre. Willis (Wilma Kauffman)
a daughter DORCAS, October 19
daughter No. 6, no brothers

Jamesport, Missouri

BONTRAGER, Menno L. (Lydia Yoder)
a daughter MARY ETTA, October 12
GINGERICH, Eddie E. (Mary Kurtz)
a son ADEN, October 20
NOTE: Eddies are from Buchana Co. Iowa working at Joe Hostetlers through IW farm program.
STUTZMAN, Eddie J. (Edna A. Yoder)
a son FLOYD, October 15

OBITUARIES

Glick, Jacob S., 29, New Holland R1, Pa.

was killed instantly Friday, October 15, when a mule kicked him in the face (see front page). He was born in West Earl Twp., a son of David S. and Bena (Stoltzfus) Glick, Leola R1, who survive. He is also survived by his wife, Mary A. (Zook) Glick, and four children, David aged 6 yrs., Levi aged 4 yrs., Annie aged 3 yrs., and Joseph aged 17 months, all at home; also his step-mother, Mrs. Rebecca Stoltzfus, Talmage, nine brothers, John of Paradise R1; Moses of New Providence R1; David of Quarryville R3; Abner of New Providence R1; Samuel, Daniel, Eli, Gideon, and Levi, all of Leola R1, and three sisters, Rebecca, wife of Levi Beiler, Gordonville R1; Barbara, wife of Gideon King, Gap; and Lizzie, wife of Joseph Fisher, Ronks R1.

Funeral services were held at the residence by John K. Lapp and Amos F. Stoltzfus; Hymn read by Emanuel S. Lapp "Komm Sterblicher, Betrachte mich." At the graveyard, Hymn read by Daniel E. Beiler, "Gute Nacht." Abscheid by John L. Stoltzfus. Pallbearers were Simeon S. Glick, Elmer D. Stoltzfus, Levi M. Stoltzfus and Levi E. Smucker. Burial was at Stoltzfus Cemetery.

King, Mary S., 91, widow of Abram B. King
Gordonville R1, Pa.

died at 8:20 p.m. Saturday, October 2 at the home of Benuel K. Stoltzfoos, Gordonville R1. Born in East Lampeter Twp., she was a daughter of the late Samuel and Nancy (Smoker) Beiler. She is survived by a step-daughter, Mrs. Nellie Zook, Farmersville, Pa.; and a brother, Daniel S. Beiler, Montezuma, Ga.

Funeral services were held at the home of Christ S. King, Gordonville R1, conducted by Bishop Amos E. King and Stephen E. Stoltzfus; Lied was read by Bennie Beiler; Burial was in Myers Cemetery where a lied was read by Eli S. Smucker, Abshied by David Smucker. Her age was 91yrs., 1 mo., and 6 days.

Miller, Mrs. Emanuel J. (Mary)' 64,
Fredericksburg R2, Ohio

died Wednesday in her home following a long illness. She was born in Holmes County. In addition to her husband, she is survived by five sons, Roy of Perrysville, John of Baltic, Andrew of Fredericksburg and Henry and Christ of the home; three daughters, Mrs. Junior Miller and Mrs. Melvin Schmucker of Fredericksburg R1, and Mrs. Levi Miller of Star Route, Millersburg; three brothers, John Mast of Apple Creek, Jake of Holmesville and Christ of Kalona, Iowa; 2 sisters, Mrs. Henry A. Miller and Mrs. Jerry S. Wengerd of Big Prairie, and 19 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Jacob R. Troyer. Burial was in Simon Yoder Cemetery at Salt Creek Township.

Miller, Lucy, 3rd wife of Pre. Jacob E. Miller
Arthur, Illinois

died October 4 at the age of 73 years. She had been ailing for several years and had a stroke a few days before her death.

Peight, Infant

Infant daughter of Samuel and Annie (Peachey) Peight, Belleville, Pa. was born October 18, died October 21. Cause of death was lung trouble. She is survived by her parents, a sister and a brother. Grandparents are Pre. Samuel T. Peacheys and Samuel K. Peights.

Smoker, Jacob Z., 80, Myerstown R3, Penna.

was found dead Thursday morning, October 28 at his home. Born in Lancaster County, he was a son of the late Isaac and Hannah (Zook) smoker and the husband of Barbara (Kanagy) Smoker who died in 1962.

He is survived by four sons: John, Myerstown R2; David, Myerstown R3; Stephen, Kirkwood R1; and Benjamin, Leola R1; five daughters, Elizabeth, wife of Abram Peachey, Madisonburg, Pa., Suvilla, wife of John Swarey, Dry Run, Pa.; Annie, at home; Hannah, wife of Abram Stoltzfus, Ronks R1; and Katie, wife of Levi King, Myerstown R3; 41 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Other survivors include four brothers, Samuel Z., Gap R1, and Joseph Z., Isaac Z., and Elmer Z., all of Intercourse, and four sisters, Lydia, wife of Joshua Beiler, Kinzer R1; Mrs. Suvilla Kauffman, Gap R2; Barbara, wife of Eli Kauffman, Denver; and Malinda, wife of Peter Miller, Intercourse.

Funeral services were held in the home by Pre. Sam Kauffman and at the farm house by Dan Kanagy and Bishop Dan E. Stoltzfus. Burial was in Lapp's Cemetery.

Weaver, Dan D., 49, of Star Route Millersburg, Ohio

died Sunday, October 17 in Pomerene Hospital at Millersburg after being ill 10 days. A former resident of Dundee, he was a son of the late Dan P. and Martha (Schlabach) Weaver. Surviving are his widow, Ada (Raber) Weaver; three sons and a daughter, Robert, Eli, Dennis and Miriam of the home; five brothers and two sisters, Eli, Pete, Gideon, Katie and Sarah of Holmesville, Ura of Dundee, and Levi of Berlin.

Funeral services were held in the Christ Weaver residence by Bishop Roy Schlabach. Burial was in the Dan Miller Cemetery in Berlin Township.

Weaver, Martha, infant daughter of Roman B. and
Effie (Gingerich) Weaver, Dundee R2, Ohio

died at 5 p.m. Tuesday, October 5, at Pomerene Hospital in Millersburg. She was born October 3, 1971, at Millersburg. She is survived by her parents; a sister, Linda, of the home; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben E. Weaver of Dundee R2; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gingerich of Fredericksburg R2; maternal great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Yoder of Fredericksburg R2.

Funeral services were held by Mahlon Hostetler. Burial was in Weaver Cemetery in Walnut Creek Twp.

Yoder, Ada E., 9, daughter of Emanuel N. and
Ella (Hershberger) Yoder, Baltic R1, Ohio

died Monday night, October 4 in Pomerene Hospital following a long illness. She was born at Dover. In addition to her parents, she is survived by a sister and five brothers, Fannie, Albert, Andrew, Noah, Owen, and Aden of the home; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Noah L. Yoder of R1, Baltic, and Mrs. Mose A. Hershberger of R1, Sugarcreek, and a great-grandmother, Mrs. Saloma Miller of R4, Millersburg. A brother preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Andrew E. Yoder. Burial was in Yoder Family Cemetery.

Yoder, Lydia, 86, wife of the late Bishop William S.
Yoder of Johnson County, Iowa

died October 17. Her husband preceded her in death on January 20, 1971. Funeral services were held at the Ben L. Yoder home (a nephew) by Bishop Glen Bender and Elmer T. Miller. They had no children, and only one remaining sister, Mrs. Harvey Bender, age 92.

Yoder, Rhoda, 68, wife of Eli E. Yoder of
Bowling Green, Missouri

A van load of relatives from Johnson Co., Iowa were to Bowling Green, Mo. on the 24th to attend the funeral of Rhoda, wife of Eli E. Yoder. She was a granddaughter of the late Moses K. Yoder formerly of Mifflin Co., Pa. She leaves her husband, 8 children, all married, and one remaining sister, Mrs. Harry Bontrager (Amelia) a widow of Middlebury, Indiana.

From THE BUDGET

Peter Stoll of Honduras, Central America died Thursday, October 7. He had been in poor health the past year with a heart condition. Funeral and burial was in Honduras on Saturday, October 9.

MARRIAGE

Johnson County, Iowa

Melvin, son of Dea. LeRoy and Marjorie (Schlabach) Bontrager, and Marie, daughter of Dan and Lovina (Hochstetler) Shetler were married October 14 by Bishop Glen Bender

MARRIAGES

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

October 21 – At Oakland Mills, John A. Weaver, son of Andy A. Weavers, and Anna A. Troyer, dau. of Abe M. Troyer, by Bishop Adam M. Troyer of Holmes County, Ohio, uncle of the bride.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

October 7 – Henry, son of Eli and Sadie (Kinsinger) Brenneman, and Rhoda, daughter of Claude Swartzentruber of Oakland, Maryland.

October 24 – Albert, son of Pete and Dora (Yoder) Yoder, and Elizabeth, daughter of Mrs. Amelia and the late Floyd Brenneman.

Wayne County, Ohio

September 26 – Published to be married in Atlee E. Miller church were Freeman, son of Levi R. Coblentzs, and Verna, daughter of Noah J. Yoders.

October 3 – Published to be married in Holmesville District were Andy, son of Mose A. Troyer, and Clara, daughter of Melvin B. Miller.

Roy, son of Bishop Melvin A. Rabers, and Amanda, daughter of Melvin B. Miller.

October 3 – Published in Jake Mast District were Henry, son of Pre. John J. Miller, and Amanda, dau. of Henry Hershbergers.

October 9 – Firman, son of Eli L. Yoders, and Esther, daughter of John J. Kurtzs

October 21 – Mel, son of Dan D. Miller, and Katie, daughter of Jacob A. Weaver, Orrville R2

Adams County, Indiana

October 28 – Emma, dau. of Mrs. Joe E. Eicher, Berne R2, and Raymond N., son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Schwartz, Monroe R1.

LaGrange and Elkhart Counties, Indiana

October 5 – Orva, son of Dea. Milo and Edna (Yoder) Bontrager, and Katie, daughter of William J. and Mary (Weaver) Schrock, by Bishop Henry N. Miller

October 5 – Freeman, son of the late Milt and Anna (Hochstedler) Lambright, Topeka, and Ada, daughter of Atlee and Ella (Riegsecker) Troyer of Goshen RR by Bishop Perry Nisley.

October 14 – Omer, son of Menno Hershbergers, and Verna, daughter of Tobe and the late Lydia (Miller) Yoder.

October 14 – John Lambright, son of the late Harvey and Clara (Miller) Lambright Schwartz, and Irma, daughter of Nathaniel and Mary Ann (Beachy) Miller.

October 19 – Samuel, son of Jacob and Sarah (Schrock) Petersheim, and Susie, daughter of Alvin Beachys.

October 21 – Calvin, son of Obie and Ruby (Miller) Miller, and Alma, daughter of Ezra J. and Annie (Yoder) Miller.

October 21 – Harley, son of Levi D. and Elizabeth (Schlabach) Bontrager, and Katie, daughter of Daniel J. and Fannie (Troyer) Lehman.

October 21 – Vernon, son of Joe M. and Mary Ann (Miller) Bontrager, Elkhart Co., and Lizzie, daughter of the late Levi and Edna (Yoder) Kuhns, Nappanee, by Bishop John Helmuth of Nappanee.

October 21 – Sam, son of Menno Kaufman of Nappanee, and Miriam, daughter of John and Ada Bontrager of Middlebury R1, by Bishop John Helmuth of Nappanee.

Daviess County, Indiana

September 5 – Martin Wagler and Marie Graber, by Bishop Ben E. Wagler.

September 9 – Alva, son of Pre. Ora Knepps, and Mary Ruth, daughter of Mary K. Wagler, by Bishop Fred W. Knepp.

September 12 – David Graber and Miriam Knepp, by Bishop Fred W. Knepp.

Arthur, Illinois

October 21 – Omer, son of Ottis S. and Ida (Bontrager) Otto, and Irene, daughter of Mrs. Carrie Jess.

October 22 – Elva M., son of Menno J. and Sarah (Gingerich) Chupp, and Bertha Lorene, daughter of Ervin and Levina (Yoder) Kaufman.

Buchanan County, Iowa

October 5 – Emanuel, son of Benj M. Bontrager, and Sarah, daughter of Dan Kurtz, in Bishop John Nisly Church District.

October 7 – Melvin, son of Pre. Jake Schmucker, and Gertie, daughter of Deacon Abe Yoder, by Bishop John Nisly in his church district.

BAPTISMS

Snyder County, Pennsylvania

October 17 by Tobe Petersheim

Amzie D., son of Dan J. Troyer
Joseph D., son of Dan J. Troyer
Joas D., son of Dan J. Troyer
Jeremiah T., son of Chris P. Schwartz
Cornelius S., son of Sam M. Troyer
Jeremiah S., son of Sam M. Troyer

Hugh Nessbit was taken in as a member but not baptized. He was baptized in Virginia.

Wayne County, Ohio

September 19 in Winesburg District

Marvin, son of Mel Miller
Freeman, son of Levi Coblentz
Martha, daughter of Atlee Hershberger
Elsie, daughter of Levi Coblentz
Verna, daughter of Noah Yoder
Mattie, daughter of Urin Yoder
Lydiann, daughter of Okey Zook

LaGrange County, Indiana

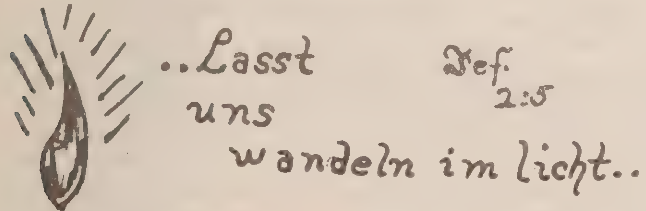
September 5 in West Barnes District
Middlebury, Indiana

Joseph, son of William H. Millers
Esther, daughter of Jonas N. Millers

September 19 in North Middle Barnes
Middlebury, Indiana
Merlin, son of Edward Lehmans
Walter, son of Mrs. Mary Lehman
Joe, son of Dan Coblentz
Perry, son of Freeman Yoders
William, son of Sam J. Schrocks
Ora, son of Mrs. Mary Lehman
Martha, daughter of Eli Gingerich
Miriam, daughter of John M. Bontragers

Daviess County, Indiana
October 10 in Southwest District
By Bishop Ben E. Wagler
Joseph Ray, son of Joseph Waglers
Ezra, son of Arthur Waglers
Wilmer, son of Elmer Knepps
Betty Jean, daughter of Elmer Knepps
Dorothy, daughter of Fred Grabers
Marilyn Sue, daughter of Cleadus Swartzentruber
September 19 in Northwest District
By Levi E. Graber
Verlyn Ray, son of Joel Graber
Johnny Ray, son of (William) Mrs. Mary Knepp
Lloyd, son of (Louis W.) Mrs. Mary Knepp
Benjamin Jr., son of Benjamin Wittmer
David, son of Ben G. Wagler
Roman, son of Harry J. Wagler
Naomi, daughter of Amos R. Graber
Eva Sue, daughter of Noah L. Wagler
Carolyn Kay, daughter of Abraham K. Knepp
Roseanna, daughter of Ezra Yoder
September 12 in Middle and Northeast Districts
By Bishop Joe L. Graber
Steve, son of Dan Marner
Marvin, son of Noah P. Wagler
Ella, daughter of Ben Weaver
Wilma, daughter of Pete Kemp

Johnson County, Iowa
October 17 by Bishop Truman Miller
Sanford, son of Edwin Ray and Ada Miller
Stephen, son of Henry M. and Amy (Otto) Miller



Diener Vorsammlung of Lancaster, Centre and Levanon Counties, Pa. was held October 12 at the home of Pre. Sam Zook, Christiana R1, attended by 195, including Levi Stutzman from Ohio, four were absent.

ORDINATIONS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Ezra H. Beiler, 34, New Providdnce R1, Pa. was ordained minister in the West Quarryville District, October 15. He is a son of Annie (Hertzler) Beiler and the late Andrew D. Beiler. His wife Lizzie is a daughter of Benuel K. and Lydia (King) Stoltzfoos. With him in the lot were Moses B. Glick, David F. Stoltzfoos, John F. Fisher, Elam Allgyer and Jacob K. Beiler.

David S. Blank, 35, Gap R1, Pa. was ordained deacon in the Lower Pequea White Horse South District, October 15. He is a son of Dea. Joseph and Barbara Blank. His wife Mary is a daughter of Pre. Amos and Barbara Smucker. With him in the lot were B. John Stoltzfus, John S. Lapp, Alvin Lapp, John Riehl, and Jacob Beiler.

John R. Glick, 26, Quarryville R3, Pa. was ordained minister in the East Quarryville District, Oct. 21. He is a son of Dea. Aaron and Mary Glick. His wife Rebecca is a daughter of John E. and Rachel Fisher. With him in the lot were Moses Glick, John D. Stoltzfus, Roy S. Fisher, Aaron Esh and Levi L. Beiler.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Amos G. Lantz, 30, Lebanon R1, Pa. was ordained deacon in the West Lebanon District, October 15. He is a son of Jonathan and Leah (Glick) Lantz. His wife Katie is a daughter of Pre. David M. and Salome (King) Lapp. With him in the lot were Jonathan Lantz, Jonas Lapp, Elam Lapp, John Smoker, Levi King, Moses Lapp and Jacob Lapp.

Wayne County, Ohio

Atlee A. Troyer, 43, was ordained minister in Noah Yoder District, October 1.

Levi L. Troyer, 28, was ordained deacon in Jonas Borntrager District, October 2.

Clarence J. Yoder, 33, was ordained minister in Menno S. Beachy District, October 3.

Albert B. Mast, 55, was ordained minister in East Berlin District, October 10

Aden, son of Roman D. Miller, 28, was ordained minister in Dan Stutzman District, October 10.

Henry J. Hershberger, 35, was ordained minister in Abe N. Miller District.

Emanuel L. Troyer, 34, was ordained minister in Abe D. Yoder District.

David E. Yoder was ordained bishop in David P. Troyer District.

Ammon E. Raber, 35, was ordained deacon in Roy Schlabach District.

Joe J. Miller Jr., 33, was ordained minister in Enos Miller District.

William J. Troyer, 34, was ordained minister in Crist Kauffman District.

Noah A. Troyer, 41, was ordained minister in the Winesburg District.

Nelson B. Kauffman, 29, was ordained minister in Atlee E. Miller East District.

Monroe Kuhns was ordained minister in Ezra Y. Miller District.

Noah A. Mast, 60, was ordained minister in Aden Yoder District.

Jacob S. Miller, 24, was ordained minister in Roy J. Miller East District.

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Lancaster Co., Pa. by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 2.7 inches.

Market Report: Choice Fat Cattle sold for $36.35 Cwt.; Stocker Feeder Market is a spread from 27.00 to 42.25 Cwt.; Fat Hog from 20.00 to 23.50 Cwt.; 40 lb. shoats, 15.00 a piece; Fresh Cows out of New York sold at New Holland from 435.00 to 740.00; Large eggs sell for .35½. doz.; Potatoes, 50 lb. bags selling wholesale from 2.00 to 2.50 Cwt.; Hay at Green Dragon sold 35.00 to 57.00 Ton; Straw, 34.00 to 41.00 Ton; Corn, 1.25 bu.; New Ear Corn, 25.00 to 30.00 Ton; Old Ear Corn, 45.00 Ton; Wheat, 1.47 bu.; Barley, 1.05 bu.; Oats, .80 bu.

by Elam S. Beiler

Most of the farmers are done picking corn. Yields were better than average though quality of some corn is questionable due to blight. Some fodder was put in early in the month but has been too rainy since.

Some hay went in this month though most of it had rain sometime or other. Winter grains had a good start this fall. Wheat is longer now already than it unually is before winter starts. Tobacco stripping is starting with quite a few reports of being shed burnt.

By Ammon F. Fisher

Total rainfall was 4.1 inches, first two days were cloudy, 75 degree temperature. The last week was damp and warm, 65 degrees. Lawns, meadows and fields are very nice and green. Leaves are changing colors but a lot are still hanging on. Beautiful fall weather, but too damp for hay making. Not much wind the last nine days, very foggy in the a.m. from the wet ground and warm weather. No killing frost yet, some people are still running barefooted.

Juniata County, Pa. by David Y. Renno

During October we had 4 inches rainfall and about normal and above normal temperatures, many foggy mornings and cloudy days. We had no frost yet this fall and not so many days with cloudless skies. Crops this past summer were all good to excellent and prices are fair. Beef and milk are high, eggs and poultry are very low all year.

Church here on October 31 was well attended. The house and benches were all full and the after services lunch was all used up.

Forty years ago when I was a boy and everyone had apple trees, church lunch was made of brick oven baked apple pies and half moon pies, home made lodvarg and butter on home made sour sots bread, big thick four inch sour salted down pickles and sour red beets.

Today few people have apple trees but lots of pumpkins, milk and eggs, so we often get pumpkin pies and half moon pies (made of dried apple snitz) baked in the kitchen range, oft times raisin pies. Even though people have twice as many cows as their parents did they serve soft margarine in plastic cups and grape or strawberry jam and honey or molasses on both home made and store bought bread. The bread is made from store bought dry yeast. Little small hard sweet or canned sour pickles which cannot compete with the old time big juicy salted pickles made in a big crock, and instant coffee instead of the old time kind where you used to find coffee grounds in your cup. Our moon pies and red beets are the only things on the church menu that remain unchanged after forty years. We still occasionally get apple pies and salted pickles and home made butter which reminds me very much of olden times and seems the best yet.

Snyder County, Pa. by Sam M. Troyer

It was warmer than usual this October. On the 19th it was 35 degrees, the coldest one recorded, of course in the lower parts it was colder. We still have green peppers and tomatoes in the garden that are not frozen. We had around 2½ inches of rain.

Mifflin County, Pa. by Catherine Swarey

October was a pleasant month, lots of foggy mornings. October 28, it was still very foggy at 12:00, could hardly see to the close neighbors. Quite a bit of October's bright blue weather, 2.3 inches of rain. The lowest temperature was 30 degrees, no killing frost yet. Katy-dids can still be heard. Corn husking is finished. Wedding Bells are ringing.

Somerset County, Pa. by Mary A. Kinsinger

October has had the first two weeks with cloudy and much foggy weather. But the last two weeks we've had our bright blue October weather. We had about 3½ inches of rain, no frost as of yet to freeze the flowers or weeds. Several flocks of geese were seen going north on the 30th. Quite a bit of corn husking has been done although many aren't done yet.

Holmes County, Ohio by David E. Miller

We are having very nice weather at present. The farmers are busy husking corn and some are putting in late hay, 3rd and 4th cutting. Also picking apples, I don't think that I ever saw so many apples of most all varieties like this year and so much cider making. Pears, chestnuts, and walnuts are plentiful too. Our temperature was from 70 to 75 and hardly a cloud in the skies. My crew and I are still painting every day, but I don't know how much longer it will last. Some farmers are plowing. People are trying to get their winter coal but there is a coal strike going on for quite a while. Some places they use the National Guard, some places the State Patrol and Sheriffs escort some of the coal trucks, so they go in groups of a dozen semi-loads at a time. We hope the strike is over before it gets cold.

St. Mary's County, Md. by Amos R. Stoltzfus

We had about 7 inches rain in October, which fell the 1st, 10th, and the last week. From the 19th on it was cloudy or rainy. Had a very mild fall so far. Temperature wasn't under 40 yet. Grass is lush. Grain fields are growing extra nice this fall.

Wayne County, Ohio by Ray J. Yoder

Beautiful Fall weather, daytime temperatures are mostly in the 60s, nights, 30 to 40 degrees. Had only a few frosts so far. Corn is about 60% husked. Very little rain in October, not much to report. Better tame that turkey now.

Adams County, Indiana by Mary Ann Hilty

October 1971 will be remembered as the year when there was no killing frost during the entire month. Never in recorded Weather History has the first killing frost in the fall been delayed beyond the end of October. Rainfall during the month totaled 2.87 in. The total for the year now stands 35.26 inches, nearly 5 inches above normal. The highest for the month was 90 degrees on the 2nd, lowest was 38 on the 12th, no snow, 9 clear days, 15 partly cloudy, 7 cloudy days, with 7 rainy and 1 thunderstorm.

Daviess County, Indiana by Lester Marner

We have had an unudually nice fall, there has been no killing frost as of November 2. Wheat has an abundant growth and pastures are very nice yet. Corn is mostly harvested with a good yield, price, .90 bu. Lawns still have to be mowed. This is one season we never failed to mow every week even up in November.

Arthur, Illinois by Menno A. Diener

Weather for October was very favorable for harvesting crops, not much rain. Corn was a very good crop, not as much blight as last year, but in some fields plenty of corn bores. Corn was nearly all harvested in October and already many acres have been plowed for next year's crops.

Johnson County, Iowa by Eli S. Bontrager

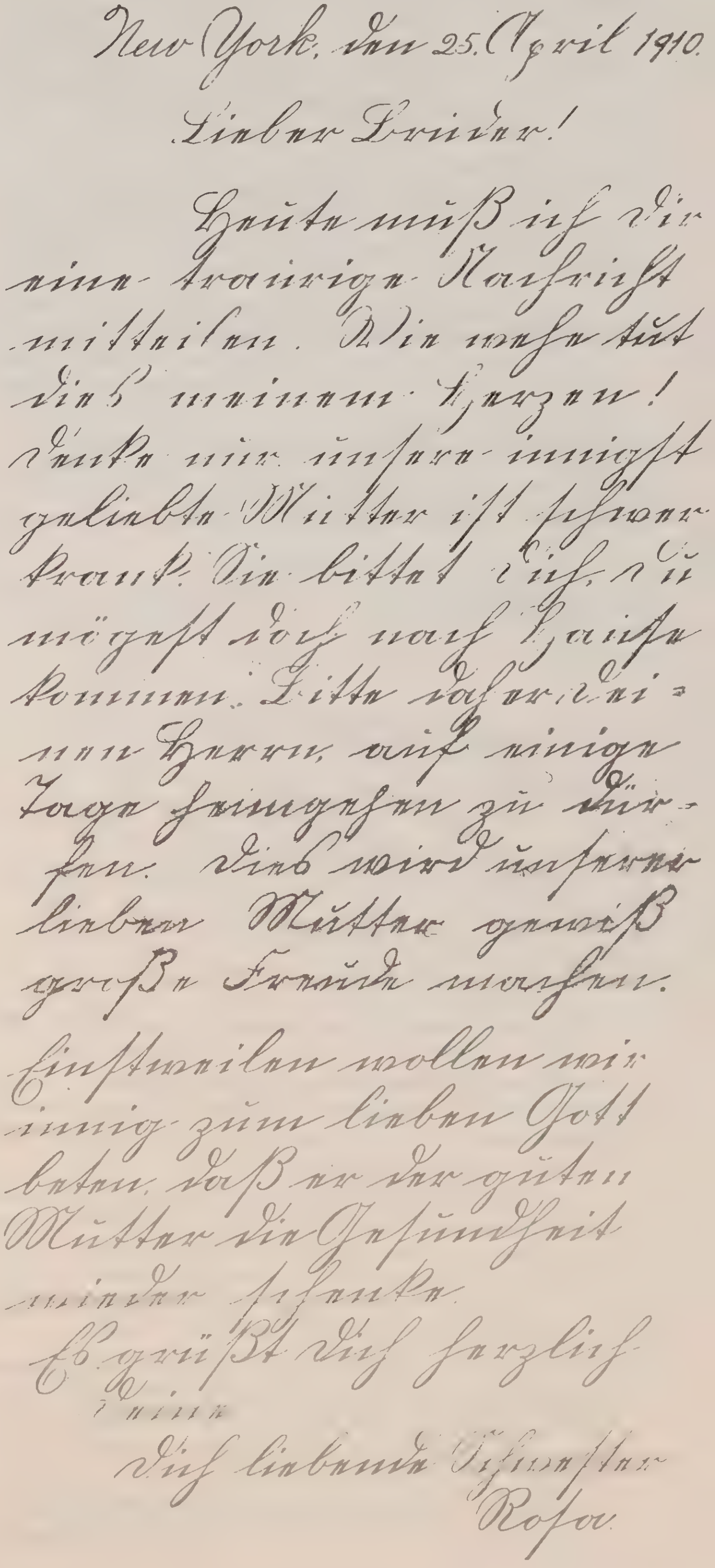
We are having rather warm weather for this time of year. Corn husking is in full swing, which is a good crop. Reports are that most of it is making a 100 or more an acre. Are we thankful enough for such a Blessing?

Jamesport, Missouri by Amos W. Yoder

The north end of this settlement had between 3 and 4 inches rain August 21st, while the south end had only a few tenths. That was about the only rain in August. There were only a few light showers through September. It was quite dry till October 19 to 31 it rained 2½ inches. We had a light frost Oct. 31st with temperature at 32 degrees. Grass is nice and green again. Soy beans and corn are a good crop with very little blight.

Arthur, Illinois

Jacob M. Plank, 62, son of the late Joni T. and Mrs. Plank was taken to the hospital October 6th suffering from Cerebral Hemorrhage. He returned home the 25th, some improved, recognizes some people but not everyone.



New York, den 25. April 1910.

Lieber Bruder!

Heute muß ich dir eine traurige Nachricht mitteilen. Wie wehe tut dies meinem Herzen! Denke nur unsere innigst geliebte Mutter ist schwer krank. Sie bittet dich, du mögest doch nach Hause kommen. Bitte daher deinen Herrn, auf einige Tage heimgehen zu dürfen. Dies wird unserer lieben Mutter gewiß große Freude machen.

Einstweilen wollen wir innig zum lieben Gott beten, daß er der guten Mutter die Gesundheit wieder schenke.

Es grüßt dich herzlich
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ORDINATIONS, continued

LaGrange County, Indiana

Ervin D. Hochstedler was ordained bishop in one Clearspring District.

Levi E. Bontrager, 44, Shipshewana was ordained minister in Middle Forks District, October 10. He is a son of Ezra L. Bontragers and his wife Ada is a daughter of Levi J. Eashs of Honeyville.

Alton E. Bontrager, 35, Middlebury R1 was ordained bishop in Northeast Clinton District, Oct. 23. He is a son of Eli N, Bontragers of Shipshewana and his wife Arlene is a daughter of Milo J. K. Miller.

Arthur, Illinois

Willie A. Mast, 46, was ordained bishop in Menno S. Miller North District, October 10. He is a son of the late A.L. and Lydia Mast. His wife is a daughter of the late Joni T. and Mrs. Plank.

Joni Plank, 48, was ordained deacon in Henry Miller District, October 10, to replace Levi Jess who died last spring. He is a son of the late Joni T. and Mrs. Plank. His wife Anna is the daughter of the late A. L. and Lydia Mast.

Abraham J. Yoder, 32, was ordained minister, Oct. 9. He is a son of Deacon Joe A. Yoder. His wife Barbara is a daughter of Fred Mast.

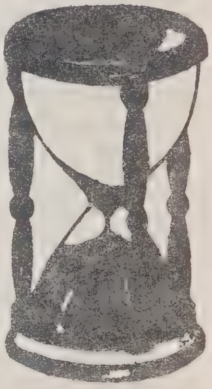
COMMUNITY NOTE

Priscilla, aged 34, wife of Elvin Ebersol, Leola R1, Pa. was taken by ambulance to Lancaster General Hospital Sunday p.m. October 31. She complained of severe headache and went into a coma. She is reported to have a Brain Hemorrhage and has been conscious just short periods of time since being admitted to the hospital. Her parents are Samuel M. and Rebecca Fisher, Ronks R1, Pa.

Willie, 22, son of Stephen U. Stoltzfus, Kinzers R1, Pa. had his right arm badly injured on Thursday morning, October 28. He reached into the rolls of the corn picker and was cleaning out some corn stalks when the machine flew into gear. They were obliged to use a torch to free him and he lost a lot of blood till they got him out. He is in Lancaster General Hospital where they tried to save the arm, but reports are it had to be amputated.

Rachel L. born October 13, to Jonas K. and Lydia (Lapp) Fisher, Kirkwood R1, Pa. was taken to the Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital at the age of two weeks for Yellow Jaundice. She spent one day there and was then taken to Philadelphia Hospital for five days.

The Hour Glass



Reprints from THE WEEKLY BUDGET
Sugar Creek, Ohio
Thursday, September 26, 1895

SOUTHERN NOTES

Midland, Virginia, Sept. 13. – Weather still very dry.

Corn is mostly cut and is a light crop. Silos are all filled.

Farmers are sowing winter oats.

Samuel Beachy's new house is up and under roof.

S. S. Beachy is hauling lumber for a new barn.

Rev. William Miller, wife and daughter, of Iowa, were here on a week's visit. Rev. Miller preached a good sermon at the residence of Joseph Meyers. They left this morning for Meyersdale, Pa.

U. D. Yoder, of Grantsville, Maryland, had been here to see the country, and says he likes it well, and can stand the heat all right. Mr. Yoder contracted for a farm, which he will take providing he can sell his farm in Md. The farm contains 170 acres, for which he is to pay $4,800.

Rev. Daniel Beachy and wife, of Illinois, Samuel Gingerich and wife and Ben. Hochstetler, of Iowa, arrived here this evening from Somerset county, Pa., where they had been spending a few weeks among friends.

George Raum, of Lancaster, Pa. has rented a farm here.

Mrs. S. S. Beachy

LANDS FOR SALE

Real Estate office of Patterson & Matthews, Sadoval, Illinois.

Above firm has some excellent bargains in the best counties of southern Illinois.

1st. 240 acres, fenced, house and barn good; 800 peach, 250 pear and 1,000 apple trees. Two miles from depot. Price $35 per acre.

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3rd. 520 acres in one body, that can be subdivided into farms of 80 acres. Price $30.

Besides the above we have many more. Call and see them. No charge for showing land.

PATTERSON & MATTHEWS

Reprints from THE WEEKLY BUDGET

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Thursday, October 3, 1895

LETTER FROM INDIANA

Emms, Indiana, Sept. 20 – We are having warm and dry weather.

Farmers have commenced cutting off corn, which is a fair crop.

Daniel D. Fry is happy over the arrival of a boy in his family.

John J. Miller and wife started for Douglas Co., Illinois, being called there account of the sickness of Mrs. Christian Hershberger.

A child of Ferdinand Miller died last Friday.

Emanuel J. Hershberger and wife left for N. D., accompanied by D. Nisley, of near Shipshewana, and S. J. Helmuth of Douglas Co., Illinois.

Revs. Daniel J. Hochstetler and Emanuel J. Miller intend to make a trip to N. D. in the near future.

Some farmers are sowing wheat, while others wait for rain.

Health is good in this locality.

JOHN D. HOCHSTETLER

Thursday, October 10, 1895

FROM THE NORTHWEST

Brewster, Minn., Sept. 28 – We have good growing weather, but cool nights, since the soaking rain we had about a week ago.

Farmers are busy plowing and threshing. Work is plenty.

Quite a number of visitors were here lately. Rev. Yost Yoder, of Bertrand, Nebraska, was here and preached an interesting sermon on the 26th; he left for home on the 27th. A. K. Miller, of Illinois, was here one day, but returned home and will have sale in a few days; then move on his farm here. Eli Hershberger, Joseph Helmuth and wife and Joel Yoder, of Illinois, were in our midst, and were all well pleased with the country, and people can't help but like it when they see the many grain stacks.

Market: Wheat, 48¢; oats, 18¢; corn, 35¢; barley, 24¢; flax, 75¢; butter, 12 to 15¢; eggs, 14¢.

This leaves us all well, with the exception of our little boy, who has a light attack of diphtheria.

ISAAC SLABAUCH

NEWS-NOTES FROM PENNSYLVANIA

Ronks, Pa., Sept. 30 – We are having very warm and dry weather.

Farmers are sowing wheat.

There is still some corn to cut off, but some have already commenced to husk. Corn is a good crop. Wheat is about all threshed, which yields from 20 to 88 bu. to the acre.

Rev. Daniel Beachy, of Illinois, Samuel Gingerich and wife, and Ben Hochstetler, of Iowa; Daniel Mast and wife, of Indiana, and Henry Mast and wife, of Ohio, are in our midst, visiting friends, but intend to start for Mifflin county on October 4th.

Let us hear through the Budget what Pre. Eli Borntrager's post office address is in North Dakota.

J. L. FISHER

FROM THE NORTHWEST

Fulda, Minn., Sept. 10 – Nice weather at present, with a few good showers of rain lately.

Threshing is in full blast; wheat yields from 20 to 40 bu.; oats from 40 to 80; other crops in proportion.

Henry Raibe, the postmaster at Pfingstone, was buried yesterday. He died from injuries received by falling off a traction engine several weeks ago. The deceased leaves a widow and 5 children. His age was about 31 years.

Daniel J. Helmuth, of Jackson Co., made a flying through this locality yesterday.

Ed. J. Miller, who is here from Indiana, will start for North Dakota in the near future.

Ben S. Miller, of Mt. Ayr, Indiana, is in our midst, but will soon leave for Missouri and Kansas.

Menno Jantzi and Fanny Gerber will join hands in marriage on September 19th. We wish them a happy matrimonial life.

Rev. Yost Yoder, of Nebraska, is expected here this week.

Moses Jantzi improved his house by putting a cellar wall under it.

By what we learn through the Nappanee News we would judge that cider must be a scarce article at Berlinton, Ind., as some of the boys paid $12.75 for a drink of cider from Jacob Hershberger. GOPHER.

LETTER FROM INDIANA

Mt. Ayr, Indiana, September 18 – Health is good in this locality.

Weather has been favorable for late crops so far this fall.

Oats was a light crop.

Farmers are busy cutting corn, which is a splendid crop.

Henry Eash, of LaGrange county, is in our midst. He seems to like the country.

Our Southern home seekers returned last Sunday from a flying trip to Mississippi. They seem to be well pleased with the country. Enos D. Yoder has bought a farm there of 107 acres. Uncle Isaac had bad luck; he turned a somersault and lost his coat and ticket.

Edward J. and Benjamin S. Miller went to Minn. a few weeks ago.

Menno L. Miller has returned home from Illinois.

Simon Hershberger will leave in the near future for Marshal County. CORRESPONDENT

NEBRASKA NEWS ITEMS

Bertrand, Nebraska, Sept. 10 – We are having nice, but very dry weather.

People are busy plowing, but will soon have to leave off on account of drouth.

Wheat is nearly all threshed; it yields from 4 to 24 bu. to the acre. Oats makes from 19 to 40 bushels. Garden vegetables are plenty; watermelens are an abundant crop. Corn will make fully a half crop.

The sorghum mill is running in full blast.

People are very much dissatisfied here on account of hard times and low prices.

This leaves us all well. LEVI S. [illegible]

Brownstown, Illinois, Sept. 18 – I stated in my last letter that I would go from Arthur to this place by the overland route, which I did in company with Gideon Kaufman and family. We made the trip in 1½ days; distance 75 miles.

Weather very warm, day and night, but had a good shower of rain on Monday morning.

Among the visitors that were here over Sunday I name the following: Peter Yoder and wife; Jacob Gingerich and wife, of Iowa; Abraham Kauffman and wife; Mrs. Peter Kramer and Mrs. Dena Miller, of Holmes county, Ohio; Gideon Kauffman and family, of Moultrie county.

A. C. Miller and son arrived home on Tuesday of last week.

About two weeks ago a boy by the name of Bailey drowned in the river, at, or near the same place, where that Miller boy drowned last June a year ago. The boy and his father were in the river fishing with a seine.

On last Wednesday the residence of John Smith, one-half mile east of A. C. Miller's was destroyed by fire. With the help of neighbors most of the household goods were saved. MOSES I. HOCHSTETLER

ILLINOIS NEWS ITEMS.

Arthur, Illinois, September 5 – I will again pen a few lines to let the readers know of my whereabouts. I am at C. J. Gingerich's this morning, but expect to go west into Moultrie county this afternoon, and on next Tuesday or Wednesday I intend to go back to Fayette county, going by the overland route.

On last Monday evening a good shower of rain visited this community, but was preceded by a heavy wind, which tore down one-half of the roof of a wagon shed belonging to Stephen I. Miller. Otherwise not much damage was done by the wind excepting some corn being blown down.

Broom corn cutters are plenty and there are also lots of loafers here. This is the time of the year when lots of loafers come to this country, letting on as though they wanted work, but do nothing but loaf and bex, and do not care for work. The farmers are now busy at work cutting their broom corn. A. M. Kaufman has already cut 25 acres of broom corn and has 60 acres more to cut.

The other day I saw the correspondent from this place. He was pulling nails out of old laths; so I expect he hasn't time to write for the Budget now.

Well I must close, as there is a barn raising not far from here where I expect to see lots of people.

Yours. Truly, MOSES I. HOCHSTETLER

ILLINOIS NEWS ITEMS

Chesterville, Illinois, Sept. 16. – Warm weather, with occasional cool nights, but no frost yet.

Cloverhulling is in progress; in some instances it yields over three bushels to the acre.

The wholesale slaughter of the broom corn is about over; it sells for from $55 to $65 a ton.

Cutting corn has been commenced, which is a good crop. Some farmers are cutting with binders, made expressly for corn.

Peter Yoder and wife, of Iowa, who had been visiting friends in this and Moultrie counties, have returned to their home.

Rev. Gideon Kaufman and wife, accompanied by M. I. Hochstetler, started for Fayette county, on last Wednesday.

Simon Otto, of Arthur, and Miss Clara Miller, of this place, will be married in the near future.

About five miles east of here a man was lately held up by tramps and relieved of $50. The tramps escaped with their booty.

I noticed in last week's issue that a certain man claims he saw the correspondent from this place pulling nails out of old laths, and thought he hadn't time to write for the Budget. I reckon that "shoe" fits me, but I had time to listen to that musical wagon he was riding in when he saw me. That wagon beat the boat, didn't it? Call again Mose, we are always glad to see you.

Health is good in this locality. M. D. MILLER

LETTER FROM KANSAS

Partridge, Kansas, Sept. 18 – The warmest and dryest Sept., so far, in my recollection.

Jonas Yoder and wife, of Bremen, Indiana, are in our midst visiting relatives and friends.

A. J. Kramer and Daniel Yoder arrived here last week, from Douglas county, Illinois.

Daniel F. Miller and wife and Fanny Yoder went to N. Dakota, to make that their future home.

A peculiar woman came to this locality last week, claiming to be from Virginia. She claims her age is nearly 82 years; says her name is Mrs. Elizabeth Kaufman; maiden name Herr; was born and raised in Lancaster county, Pa., and claims to know all the Stoltzfus', Fisher's, Lapp's, and others; is well acquainted in Chester, Somerset, Franklin, and many other counties. She says Rev. Daniel Beachy, of Arthur, Illinois, ate many a meal with her. Claims her home to be Harrisburg, Pa.; held a post office for 8 years somewhere in Pa., and says the Governor of N. D. is her nephew. She was never out of the state of Pa. until two years ago, when she went to Virginia, to a sick daughter, who died 7 weeks ago. A son was drowned in the Johnstown disaster. A few weeks ago she started for Kansas, from Virginia. When she came to Hamilton, Ohio, she took sick, was in the hospital several days and her papers were lost there. When she came to Hutchinson she could not find the man she was looking for, his name is Henry Reif. She is a woman of very good memory for her age; better than many people at 60 or less. Does anyone from Lancaster county, Pa., know anything about this woman? Rev. Beachy, of Arthur, Ill., do you remember anything about her? Let us hear from you. Yours Truly, N. HELMUTH

Thursday, October 24, 1895

PARTRIDGE KANSAS BREEZES

Partridge, Kansas, Oct. 8 – Mr. Editor, I deem it my duty to write a few lines as well as your duty to publish the same in regard to the woman I made mention in my last letter. This woman turned out to be a suspicious character. She is suspicioned as being the Bender woman, one of the most noted outlaws on record, who at one time had (and probably has yet) a reward on her for $1,500. It is claimed that the Bender woman keeps herself among the "plain" people so she may not be detected. This woman some way noticed that all is not right and then she fled. It is claimed 6 years ago she was in the State of Kansas and gave her name as Nisly. Much could be said but space will not permit, but I would advise all readers of the Budget watch out so you are not "taken in."

Abe Coblentz returned home from a year's trip to the east.

Rev. Jast D. Yoder from Nebraska, will start home tomorrow.

Abner Miller from Oregon, is visiting among friends here.

Yours Truly, N. HELMUTH

GEISTOWN, PA. LETTER

Geistown, Pa., October 16 – We will again try and write a few lines for our readers.

Geistown is a little country town situated on the western slope of the Alleghany mountains; it being a gradual slope from here to the summit, a distance of about 15 miles. This town is located about 3 miles south-east of Johnstown, in fertile and prosperous farming community.

Wheat and corn is not raised here to a great extent. In many places hay is the main crop farmers rely upon. Buckwheat is also raised to a great extent. Many of the farmers in this community also devote much of their labor to market gardening. For this product they find a ready market in the manufacturing city of Johnstown. This city affords an excellent market for almost anything that a farmer can produce. Crops in general were fair this year, although drought has, as in many other places, cut short from a full crop, nearly all cereals, as well as garden vegetables, etc.

The fruit crop has not been an average crop, although apples are quite plenty in some localities.

THE EDITOR

GEISTOWN, PA. LETTER

Geistown, Pa., Oct. 24 – On last Thurs. morning we left this place for Davidsville, Somerset County, where we attended the Mennonite Sunday School and church conference, which closed on Friday evening. Space forbids us to give the proceedings of the conference. The attendance was large and the proceedings very interesting and appropriate for the occasion.

On the Sunday following communion services were held at the same place.

On Saturday morning I left my wife and child with friends at Davidsville, and in company with D. H. Bender, G. D. Miller, M. S. Steiner and wife, and the Misses Ida and Anna Miller and a number of others, took the train for Meyersdale. From here I went out in the country about two miles to the residence of Eli Gnagy, where I remained till Sunday morning. Here I also met Samuel Gnagy and wife, of West Virginia. On Sunday morning I was taken across the line into Maryland where I attended services at the Amish church. After services I visited several places and in the evening crossed over into Pa. again and attended services at the Chestnut Spring Mennonite church; preaching by Rev. M. S. Steiner, of Canton, Ohio. On Monday I went to Grantsville, Md. This town was laid out over one hundred years ago by the ancestors of Gen. Grant. The original town was located a little distance south of the National Pike leading from Washington to St. Louis, but is now built mostly along this national highway. This road was cut out by Gen. Braddock's army on one of its marches to the Ohio river.

It is very dry in this locality and forest fires are raging in the Alleghany and Negro mountains.

On Tuesday I returned to Davidsville and from there we returned to this place on Wednesday.

The weather here still continues dry and cool; not much prospects for rain. Water is getting to be very scarce in some localities.

People are all well here as far as we know.

Today we expect to go to South Fork where the famous reservoir had been located, the waters of which were so destructive to life and property six years ago.

THE EDITOR

NOBLE, IOWA NOTES

Noble, Iowa, Oct. 14 – We arrived home Saturday, Oct. 5th, after visiting a few weeks in Tuscarawas, Holmes and Wayne counties and of course were glad to get to Iowa again.

But to say we had a pleasant trip is putting it very mildly; we certainly enjoyed it very much. But how could we keep from that, when we were among the people who know how to entertain.

We found Iowa and its people all right, every one busy gathering the immense corn crop. We had a dry season, but the crops were all very good except hay. But with the good quality of oats straw and plenty of corn, we can get along with what we have.

We will be more interested in the Budget now than we were before, and hope to hear of some of our good friends through its columns.

D. E. EICHER

NOTES FROM PENNSYLVANIA

Ronks, Pa., Oct. 21 – We are having nice weather.

A good soaking rain on the 13th.

Scarlet fever is raging in this locality.

Farmers are busy husking corn, which is a good crop.

Jno. D. Miller and wife and Jacob Gunden and wife, of Johnson Co., Iowa, are in our midst, but expect to stary tomorrow for Philadelphia.

Noah Fisher's farm of 60 acres was lately bought by Jacob Kauffman, for $164.20 per acre.

C. B. Lapp bought the C. P. Stoltzfus farm, containing 37 acres.

Ben Fisher wears a smile since that little girl came to his house.

J. L. FISHER

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a nephew. The first to arrive was son Valentine Yoder, whose second child, Samuel, was born in Elkhart County on May 11, 1840. He served the Nappanee Amish for many years as a Deacon.

The same year, 1840, Valentine's cousin, Joshua Yoder, settled in southern Locke Township, filing for land on June 12. Joshua later moved into the northern part of Union Township and became a member of the German Baptist Brethren Church. Joshua's mother, Barbara, was a great-granddaughter of Jacob Hochstetler, the immigrant of 1763.

This migration to Indiana triggered the move of a great number of Amish families from Holmes and Tuscarawas counties in Ohio, including Schmuckers, Hochstetlers, Schlabachs, Schrocks, Borkholders, Millers, Coffmans, and Kemps. The two unlike Amish groups, occupying separate lands, differing in customs, appearance, and dialect, were joined in a limited and brief fellowship which terminated in 1854. The majority of the Holmes and Tuscarwas counties families continued the older traditions and are now represented in the Nappanee area by the twelve Old Order Amish church districts. The later Palatinate immigrants, who entered Indiana from Wayne County, Ohio, gradually diverged from the Old Order in custom and practice, and are represented today at Nappanee in the congregation of the West Market Street Mennonite Church (General Conference), also known as the First Mennonite Church of Nappanee.

Since the Nappanee Amish settlement has been continuously occupied by Amish settlers since 1839, it rightfully claims the distinction of being the oldest Amish settlement in the State.

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2. For a more detailed historical account of the Amish and Mennonite settlement at Nappanee, see: J. E. Landing, "The Amish and Mennonite Settlement at Nappanee, Indiana," in AMISH-MENNONITE DIRECTORY, NAPPANEE, INDIANA, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hochstetler (Compilers). Mast Publishers, Arthur, Illinois, 1968; and J. E. Landing, THE SPATIAL DEVELOPMENT AND ORGANIZATION OF AN OLD ORDER AMISH-BEACHY AMISH SETTLEMENT: NAPPANEE, INDIANA, Ph.D. dissertation, Pennsylvania State University, 1967 (see DISSERTATION ABSTRACTS, 1968).

From MENNONITE HISTORICAL BULLETIN
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INDIANS BARTER WITH OHIO AMISH FAMILY

Wilmer D. Swope

Among the pioneer Amish families who early settled in Holmes County, Ohio, after 1809 was a Yoder family. It is known that some of the Ohio Indians were still in the Holmes County area for a number of years after the Amish settlers came.

The Yoder family had an outdoor oven where the women baked loaves of bread for the family larder. The Indians somehow had developed a real taste for the bread which these Amish neighbors baked. On numerous occasions these Indians came offering to trade slabs of venison for loaves of bread.

In order to keep harmony and good relations with the red men the Yoder family made the trade, bread for venison. Because of unsanitary handling the venison was always thrown to the hogs after the Indians were safely out of sight. The Indian men who came to trade venison for bread, were dressed only in loin cloths, and their meat was laid across the back of a horse with the Indian rider sitting on the slab of venison.

(This account of his great grandfather Yoder's dealing with the Indians was reported to the writer in 1948-1949 by John Yoder of Hartville, Ohio.)

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A SHEM ZOOK LETTER

Shem Zook (1798-1880) was an Amish Mennonite layman, who was active as a writer, historian, and publisher. Because of his excellent penmanship, he was several times chosen to serve as secretary of the Amish Conference (Diener-Versammlung) See MENNONITE ENCYCLOPEDIA, Vol. IV, p. 1040, for his biography. The letter reproduced below is in the Archives of the Mennonite Church. It was recently donated to the Archives by Mrs. Marcus Lind, Salem, Oregon. The letter, written in English, is in faultless handwriting. M.G.

Kischacoquillas
Jany 27, 1845

Friend Joash Yoder,

I would advise you of our health but I met with a severe accident a few weeks ago. My horse fell while I was riding and injured me severely. In looking through my desk today I happened on your last letter. I notice several errors in it, which being pointed out to you may be an advantage to you. It is with this view that I have taken the liberty to enclose the letter to you with the most objectionable parts pointed out. It is hoped and expected that you will receive it in the same spirit with which it has been sent.

I wish you to let me know when your father is to be at your place to preach, as I mean to attend; if you could let me know sometime before he is to come, I would endeavor to let others know.

I lately read D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation. It is a very interesting work and you would be pleased with it. You can no doubt obtain it from some of your neighbors.

Yours respectfully
Shem Zook

I greatly doubt whether the present schism in our Church will be healed.

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

THE RIEHL FAMILY

The family of John and Levina (Yoder) Riehl is being continued from previous issues.

RECORD NO. 11

FAMILY RECORD

OF

JOEL L. RIEHL AND **ROSA SMITH**

BORN August 24, 1851 AT
MARRIED February 9, 1882 AT BY
DIED April 24, 1890 AT East Buf. Twp, Union County, Pa
AGED 37 YEARS, 8 MONTHS, — DAYS.
SEE RECORD NO. 2

BORN September 27, 1861 AT
DIED AT
AGED YEARS, MONTHS, DAYS.
SEE RECORD NO.

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER
Jacob Smith.	April 29. 1883	Selinsgrove, Snyder Co., Pa.					
Frances Lillie.	March 28. 1886						
Elias Alvin.	October 19. 1887.	East Buffalo Twp, Union Co., Pa					
John Walter	April 28, 1889	" "					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NUMBER
Jacob Smith.						

DEATHS.

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS.	AGED MO.	AGED DS.	INTERMENT AT
Frances Lillie	October 18. 1886.	Co. Pa.			6	20	Smith Grove, Snyder County, Pa.
Elias Alvin	April 18, 1888	" " "			5	30	" "

RECORD NO. 12

FAMILY RECORD

OF

ELIAS B. RIEHL AND SARAH JANE RHODES

BORN December 22, 1855, AT Buffalo Twp, Union Co., Pa.

BORN January 31, 1866 AT Kelly Twp, Union County, Pa.

MARRIED December 22, 1885. AT Lutheran Parsonage, Lewisburg, Pa. BY Rev. E. H. Leisenring

DIED ____ AT ____

AGED ___ YEARS, ___ MONTHS, ___ DAYS.

DIED ____ AT ____

AGED ___ YEARS, ___ MONTHS, ___ DAYS.

SEE RECORD NO. 6

SEE RECORD NO. ____

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER
Mabel Catharine,	September 22, 1888	East Buffalo Twp, Union Co., Pa.					
Paul Leon	March 31, 1891.	" "					
Elmer Herman	March 2, 1898	N. Fourth St., Lewisburg, Pa.					
Carl William	May 7, 1899.	" "					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NUMBER
Paul Leon	December 23, 1916	Oswego, N.Y.	Anna Hazel Roberts	Oswego Co., N.Y.	Rev	

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED			INTERMENT AT
				YRS	MO	DS	
Elmer Herman	June 11, 1898	308 N. 4th St. Lewisburg Pa.			3	9	White Deer Cemetery.

RECORD NO. 13

FAMILY RECORD

OF

SAMUEL STAROOK AND SARAH K. RIEHL

BORN May 17, 1859 AT Mifflin County, Pa. BORN March 15, 1857 AT East Buf. Twp, Union Co. Pa.

MARRIED January 15, 1885 AT East Buffalo Township, Union County, Pa. BY Rev. Elias Riehl, assisted by Rev. Thomas Graybill

DIED ______ AT ______ DIED ______ AT ______

AGED ___ YEARS, ___ MONTHS, ___ DAYS. AGED ___ YEARS, ___ MONTHS, ___ DAYS.

SEE RECORD NO. ___ SEE RECORD NO. 6

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER
Elizabeth Maude,	November 2, 1885	East Buffalo Twp, Union County, Pa		Elias Warren,	September 23, 1893	East Buffalo Twp, Union County, Pa.	
Joel Riehl	October 28, 1888,	" "		Clyde Samuel,	October 4, 1896	" "	
Mary Edna	April 7, 1890	" "		Sarah Viola,	November 25, 1897	" "	
Elmer James	January 13, 1892			Emma Elaine	March 20, 1899	" "	

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NUMBER

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS.	AGED MO.	AGED DS	INTERMENT AT
Joel Riehl	February 21, 1891	East Buffalo Twp, Union Co, Pa	Convulsions	2	3	24	Byler Graveyard - Union County, Pa
Elias Warren	March 23, 1894	" "	Measles	-	6	-	" "

RECORD NO. 14

FAMILY RECORD

OF

JONAS HOOLEY AND ELIZABETH B. RIEHL

BORN September 3, 1857 AT Salem Twp, Champaign Co. O. — BORN June 26, 1858 AT East Buf. Twp, Union Co., Pa.

MARRIED January 15, 1885 AT East Buffalo Township, Union County, Pa. BY Rev. Thomas Graybill

DIED ______ AT ______ — DIED ______ AT ______

AGED ___ YEARS, ___ MONTHS, ___ DAYS — AGED ___ YEARS, ___ MONTHS, ___ DAYS

SEE RECORD NO. ____ — SEE RECORD NO. 6

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER
Clarence Marion	December 6, 1885	Salem Twp, Champaign Co. O.		Chester Raymond	July 5, 1899	Salem Twp, Champaign Co. O.	
Clyde Harrison	November 24, 1887	" " "		Bessie Beulah	February 23, 1902	" " "	
Carrie Edna	January 4, 1890	" " "					
Carl Clayton	March 11, 1893	" " "					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS	AGED MO	AGED DS	INTERMENT AT
Bessie Beulah	March 14, 1911	Salem Twp, Champaign Co. O.	Scarlet Fever	9	-	19	Hooley Cemetery

RECORD NO. 15

FAMILY RECORD

OF

JOEL EZRA RIEHL AND VERDILLA LANDIS

BORN November 25, 1866, AT East Buf. Twp, Union Co. Pa.

BORN January 26, 1874 AT Fremont, Snyder Co. Pa.

MARRIED March 24, 1891 AT M. E. Parsonage, Sunbury, Pa. BY Rev. W. V. Ganoe

DIED ____ AT ____
AGED ___ YEARS, ___ MONTHS, ___ DAYS.

DIED ____ AT ____
AGED ___ YEARS, ___ MONTHS, ___ DAYS.

SEE RECORD NO. 6

SEE RECORD NO. ____

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER
Nellie,	March 6, 1892	Kreamer, Snyder County, Pa.		Merrill L.	May 21, 1909	Champaign County, Near West Liberty, Ohio.	
Carrie,	September 18, 1893	East Buf. Twp, Union County, Pa.					
Lillian	April 30, 1896	"					
Infant Daughter	October 5, 1897	"					

MARRIAGES.

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NUMBER
Nellie	June 3, 1914	West Liberty, Ohio	Judd Wilkins	Cable, Ohio.	Rev. J. Grant Anderson	
Carrie						

DEATHS.

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS	MO.	DS	INTERMENT AT
Infant Daughter	October 5, 1897	East Buffalo Twp, Union Co. Pa.	Premature Birth	2 Hours			Union County, Pa

From MENNONITE HISTORICAL BULLETIN
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THE OLD ORDER AMISH SETTLEMENT AT NAPPANEE, INDIANA: OLDEST IN INDIANA

James E. Landing

It has long been stated that the first Amish settlement in Indiana was that stemming from the migration of families from Somerset County, Pennsylvania in 1841. The account of this journey, and the homestead exploration of the preceding year, has been told in a number of sources.[1] This settlement took place on the Elkhart Prairie, just southeast of Goshen in Elkhart County, Indiana, probably in early July, 1841. The Amish found the prairie land not to their liking, however, and moved east into the more heavily wooded section on both sides of the Elkhart and Lagrange counties boundary, the move coming in late summer or early autumn. They were then joined by families from Ohio and the settlement has been continously occupied since.

Before this time, however, there was already an independent movement of Ohio Amish families into Indiana who were settling in the vicinity of what is now Nappanee in southwestern Elkhart County. Some of these families occupied land in Kosciusko County and Marshall County as well, since the settlement area lay in the section where these borders intersect.

It is true that the Nappanee settlement has always been smaller, in both area and population, than the Elkhart-Lagrange community. It is equally true that church services and ministerial ordinations were conducted among the Amish in the Elkhart-Lagrange settlement long before they were at Nappanee. But it is not true that the Elkhart-Lagrange Amish settlement is the oldest in Indiana.

As early as 1836, an Adam Miller entered land in section 6, along the northern border of Union Twp. (the present city of Nappanee is located in southern Union Township and the neighboring township to the west, Locke), Elkhart County, Indiana. The identity is not certain, he listed his former address as Montgomery County, Ohio, but it is believed that this is the Adam Miller who, at an early age, left the Amish church for the Methodist Episcopal faith, and became a circuit rider in Indiana and other states. He later became a physician and was living in Chicago at his death in 1901. He had been born in Pennsylvania in the year 1810 and commonly referred to himself as "Hostetler."[2]

In 1839, a movement of Ohio Amish families began from Wayne County, Ohio, most settling along the Union and Locke townships boundary in Elkhart Co., just north of the present city of Nappanee. Nappanee was not platted until 1873, and only Bremen, seven miles to the west, and Locke, several miles to the north, served as mailing addresses before that date. The first of these Wayne Co. settlers were brothers, John and Jacob Stahley. They were sons of Barbara Stahley, an Amish widow, who had onely recently emigrated from the Palatinate near Kaiserslautern, bringing her five children to Stark County, Ohio, in Nov., 1836. The following spring, they moved to Wayne County. Another son, Christian, entered land in section 30 of Union Township, October 23, 1841, apparently accompanied by Moses Housouer, who would become his brother-in-law the following year (Christian married Fannie Housouer, daughter of Peter, one of the earliest Amish settlers in Ohio), since Moses filed for land the same day. Another brother, Henry, must have arrived even earlier, since he had a son, Peter, born in Elkhart County in 1842. The Stahley family was then followed into the area by a number of Wayne County, Ohio, families, practically all of whom were recent immigrants from the Palatinate. Among the early settlers of this group were: John Emmert, John Ringenberg, Cyrus Berlincourt, Allan Goon, Jonas Lance, and John Troup.

About this same time, another group of Amish families, related neither through kinship nor geography with the Wayne County group, began to settle along the Elkhart and Marshall counties coundary, just several miles northwest of the area occupied by their contemporaries. These families were all descendants of Amish settlers in the Berks and Somerset (including Cambria County) counties settlements in Pennsylvania, and all had moved into the area near Shanesville and farmerstown in Holmes County, Ohio. As a result, they represented Amish traditions which had come into existence after nearly a century of residence in North America.

The first of these families were all relatives of Daniel Yoder of Holmes County, sons, daughters, and

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LANC CO. MAN KILLED IN ACCIDENT

Christ S. King, 47, Paradise R1, Pa. was killed instantly, Friday at 1 p.m. Nov. 19, while he and his wife Katie, 46, were traveling south on Hollander Rd. about a mile and a half north of Intercourse. An apparently brakeless car crashed into the back of their covered carriage. King was thrown out of the buggy onto the roadway. The impact knocked the buggy over on its side, but Katie who remained inside the wreckage escaped with only minor injuries. King died from multiple head injuries. (see obituary)

SOMERSET CO., PA. GIRL SHOT ACCIDENTALLY

A sad accident occured Thursday, November 11 when Barbara, 15, daughter of Andy S. and Lovina (Hershberger) Zook, was shot in the upper back. A loaded shotgun was lying on a bale of hay. Barbara took the gun and stood it some place, then Mrs. Zook laid it on the milk cooler. When Barbara's brother Jonas opened the cooler lid it caused the gun to go off hitting Barbara in the upper back. She was rushed to the Meyersdale Community Hospital where she died two hours later. She was conscious to the end. (see obituary)

MAN'S EYES INJURED BY SPARKS

Nelson Herschberger, of Arthur, Illinois, while cutting the top out of a barrel with a torch had the misfortune of getting sparks into both eyes. The one was not as bad as the other. They think both eyes will come all right again. He was in the hospital one week, came home November 25th.

PA. MAN FOUND DEAD

Samuel F. Lapp, 82, of Gap R1, Pa. died at 4:45 p.m. Wednesday, November 17. He was found lying under his forebay by his daughter Miriam. He had gone to the barn with a bucket of water for his horse but the bucket was standing by his side. (see obituary)

OHIO MAN TOOK OWN LIFE BY SHOOTING

The death of Leroy D. Miller, 22, Fredericksburg R2, Ohio was ruled a suicide from a self-inflicted gunshot wound in the head. He had been a patient in Massillon State Hospital six weeks and had been permitted to go home for the Thanksgiving holiday, had gone hunting with Ivan and Roy Mast. As the three men approached a rise on the property, Miller stepped behind a tree and shot himself. (see obituary)

HOUSE DAMAGED BY FIRE

The home of Eli and Katie (Beiler) Stoltzfus, of Strasburg R1, along May Post Office Road, was damaged by fire Friday evening, December 3rd. A son-in-law and daughter, Amos and Annie Riehl live at the other end of the house. A new addition was being built to the house and a blanket was hung over a doorway to the new rooms to keep the cold air out. the fire may have started when a lantern fell against the blanket. The attic and second floor were gutted by the flames. No one was injured.

WOMAN BREAKS ARM IN FALL

Barbara, wife of Deacon Joseph E. Peachey, of Mifflin Co., Pa. fell down the last step of the cellar steps, thinking she was down but wasn't, caused her to fall one step, breaking her left arm.

"Lasset die Kindlein zu mir kommen".. Mark 10:14

BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

ALLGYER, Aaron (Linda King) Gordonville R1 a daughter, November 21

BEILER, Christian L. (Sylvia Lapp) Ronks R1 a daughter LINDA L., November 1

BEILER, Elam S. (Rebecca Esh) Ronks R1 a daughter NAOMI, November 16

BEILER, Henry K. (Katie F. Stoltzfoos) Christiana R1 a son JACOB S., November 9

BEILER, Samuel E. (Mary B. Smucker) Strasburg R1 a son SAMUEL ELDON, November 28

ESH, Levi K. (Mary Beiler) Gap R1 a son OMAR B., November 20

FISHER, Amos L. (Mary Lantz) Ronks R1 a son ISAAC, November 27

FISHER, Daniel K. (Annie S. Stoltzfus) Quarryville R3 a son JOSEPH S., November 13

FISHER, David F. (Mary King) Strasburg R1 a daughter SYLVIA K., November 20

FISHER, Samuel S (Naomi Riehl) 1650 Morningside Dr. Lancaster, a daughter SADIE MAE, November 18

GLICK, Jacob S. (Mary S. Stoltzfus) 2351 Horseshoe Rd Lancaster, a son PAUL L., November 1

GLICK, Omar F. (Barbara K. Stoltzfus) Gap R1 a son DAVID S., November 14

GLICK, Samuel F. (Hannah Lapp) Gordonville R1 a daughter RUTH ELLEN, November 3

KAUFFMAN, Elmer E (Lizzie K. Beiler) Christiana R1 a daughter LAVINA B., November 13

KING, Amos K. (Rachel Smucker) Narvon R1 a daughter NANCY JEAN, November 21

KING, Benuel K. (Barbara Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1 a son SAMUEL S., November 17

KING, Enos Jr.(Rachel S. Stoltzfus) Quarryville R3 a daughter BARBARA S., November 14

KING, Levi S. (Rebecca S. Smoker) Gordonville R1 a son BEN S., November 19

KING, Samuel F. (Fannie Beiler) Ronks R1 a son EPHRAIM K., November 28

LANTZ, Daniel B. (Aary Ann Stoltzfus) Gap R1 a son JOHN LEE, November 2

LAPP, Jesse K. (Barbara Stoltzfus) Ronks R1 a son ALVIN, November 16

RIEHL, Ephraim E. (Malinda Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1 a son EPHRAIM E. JR., November 27

STOLTZFOOS, Daniel B. (Fannie Kauffman) New Holland R2, a dau. PRISCILLA K., November 5

STOLTZFOOS, Elam B. (Priscilla P. Fisher) Leola R1 a daughter SYLVIA F., November 14

STOLTZFOOS, Paul B. (Anna Lapp) New Holland R2 a daughter, November 28

STOLTZFUS, Daniel L. (Dorothy Beiler) New Holland R1, a son BENUEL B., November 25

STOLTZFUS, Emanuel Z. (Malinda Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1, a son SIMEON, November 10

STOLTZFUS, Isaac S. (Marian Stoltzfus) 385 Willow Rd Lancaster, a son STEPHEN S., November 22

STOLTZFUS, John K. (Lydia Fisher) Bird-in-Hand R1 a son LEVI, November 3

STOLTZFUS, Levi L. (Sarah Lapp) Kirkwood R1 twin sons, AARON and AMOS, November 5

STOLTZFUS, Sol (Rebecca E. Fisher) Paradise R1 a daughter REBECCA K., November 19

SWAREY, Jacob Jr. (Malinda Stoltzfus) Ronks R1 a son GIDEON, November 29

YODER, Samuel K. (Sarah S. Beiler) 242 Pitney Rd. Lancaster, a son JACOB B., November 25

ZOOK, John K. (Mary King) Lititz R4 a daughter NANCY L., November 10

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Sam J. Jr. (Susie Troyer) a son JOSEPH, November 12

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, David (Mary Peachey) Belleville a daughter SARAH, November

PEACHEY, Joseph (Sylvia Peachey) Belleville a son SIMON, November 25

WENGERD, David (Emma Peachey) Belleville a son BENNIE, November 13

YODER, David (Matilda Peachey) Belleville a son ALBERT, November 13

YODER, Jonas (Lydia Swarey) Belleville a son CRISTIE, November 5

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

SUMMY, Noah (Sarah Kinsinger) Meyersdale R1 a son FLOYD, November 27

YODER, Bennie C. (Mary Kinsinger) Springs a daughter LYDIA SUSAN, November 15

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St. Mary's County, Maryland
HOSTETLER, Isaac (Sarah Peachey) Mechanicsville
a daughter RACHEL, November 5
STOLTZFUS, Amos R. (Mary Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville
a son ELAM, November 29

Holmes County, Ohio
CHUPP, Mr. and Mrs. Paul, Millersburg R4
a daughter
ERB, Mr. and Mrs. Mose E., Sugarcreek R1
a daughter
HOSTETLER, Mr. and Mrs. William H., Wilmot R1
a daughter
MAST, Mr. and Mrs. Myron A., Millersburg Star Route
a daughter
MAST, Mr. and Mrs. Paul E., Applecreek R2
a son
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin I., Sugarcreek R2
a daughter
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Harry W., Millersburg
a daughter
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Roman M., Millersburg Star Route, a daughter
RABER, Mr. and Mrs. Henry M., Millersburg R4
a daughter
SHETLER, Mr. and Mrs. Marion, Sugarcreek R2
a son
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Dan, Baltic R1
a daughter
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Levi S., Baltic R1
a son

Adams County, Indiana
COBLENTZ, Eli (Mattie Schwartz) Geneva R2
a son DAN, November
HILTY, John S. (Lydia R. Graber) Geneva R2
a son DAVID, November
SCHWARTZ, Jake T. (Rosa Schwartz) Monroe R1
a daughter BARBARA, November 9
SCHWARTZ, Peter (Josephine Girod) Geneva R2
a daughter ELIZABETH, November 27
YODER, Mervin (Elizabeth Christner) Berne R2
a daughter, November 1

LaGrange County, Indiana
BONTRAGER, Elson (Emma Yoder) LaGrange R1
a daughter ROSANNA, November 12
BONTRAGER, William (Lettie Eash) LaGrange R3
a son MAHLON W., October 31
CHUPP, Melvin (Louetta Miller) Topeka R2
a son MICHAEL M., November 6
FRY, Felty (Katie Schlabach) Topeka R2
a son HARVEY EUGENE, November 6
GRABER, Henry D. (Mary Kay Yoder) Topeka R1
a son ELMER H., October 28
LAMBRIGHT, Alvin (Marcia Hochstedler) Shipshewana R1, a son DANIEL WAYNE, November 7
LEHMAN, Daniel (Sara Schrock) Topeka R2
a daughter IDA SUE, November 1
MILLER, Wilbur (Mattie Marie Miller) LaGrange R4
a son VERNON W., November 13
NISLEY, Leroy (Katie Yoder) Wolcottville R2
a son JOHN L., November 9
RABER, Eli (Polly Fry) Topeka R2
a daughter ROSANNA, November 2
TROYER, Glenn O. (Vera Miller) Topeka R1
a son EUGENE G., November 14
WEAVER, Calvin (Mary Yoder) LaGrange R4
a daughter LORETTA C., November 11
WENGARD, David (Susie Weaver) LaGrange R1
a daughter EDNA, November 10
WINGARD, Joseph (Betty Bontrager) Shipshewana R2
a son OWEN J., November 4

Daviess County, Indiana
GRABER, Amos (Naomi Knepp)
a son, November 12
KNEPP, David (Anna Mae Knepp)
a daughter MARLENE, November 19
WITTMER, Lester (Anna Catherine Knepp)
a son MARK, November 8

Arthur, Illinois
DIENER, Ben (Ella Herschberger)
a son DAVID WILLIAM, November 26
MAST, Levi A. (Fannie Yoder)
a daughter AMANDA LOUISE, November 26
MILLER, Elmer D. (Katie Marie Yoder)
a daughter LEOTA KAY, November 19
YODER, John H. (Ruby Miller)
a son MARLIN DUANE, November 2

Buchanan County, Iowa
NISLY, Sam (Edna Hershberger) Independence
a daughter ESTHER, November 4
SCHWARZ, Menno Jr. (Lizzie Mast) Hazleton
a son DAVID, November 21

Johnson County, Iowa
MAST, Monroe and Frieda
a daughter DIANE KAY, November 6

Jamesport, Missouri
DETWEILER, Freeman T. (Emma Gingerich)
a son REUBEN, October 31

Aylmer, Ontario, Canada
KAUFFMAN, Henry (Esther Stutzman)
a son DAVID, November 19
SHETLER, Eli (Anna Petersheim)
a daughter LORENE, November 14
both families are in Mt. Elgin District

Freuet euch des Herrn.

In meines vaters
hause sind viele
wohnungen Joh. 14:2

OBITUARIES

Graber, Rosemary, 5 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Graber, Odon R1, Indiana

died at her home at 3:30 a.m., Friday, November 26. She had been ill since birth, with cerebral palsy, and seriously ill the last two weeks. She was born July 10, the daughter of Francis and Viola (Knepp) Graber. Grandparents are Mrs. Leah Graber, Loogootee, and Mr. and Mrs. John Knepp, Montgomery R1. Also surviving are six sisters, Mrs. Eli (Diana) Wagler, Loogootee R2, Wilma Jean, Verda, Margaret, Katherine, and Viola Graber, all at home; and five brothers, Ernest Lee, Lester Dee, Mark Samuel, and Francis Junior, all at home.

Funeral services were held by Levi Graber; burial was in Stoll Cemetery.

Hershberger, Linda, 2 days, daughter of Henry A. and Niva Hershberger, Dundee R1, Ohio

died Tues. afternoon, Nov. 16, at the Wooster community Hospital. Death resulted from a respiratory failure. Surviving besides the parents are a sister, Wilma and brother, Ernest, of the home; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Yoder of Winesburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew A. Hershberger of Sugarcreek R1.

Funeral services were held at the Henry N. Yoder residence in Winesburg, by Bishop Abe D. Yoder; burial was in the Yoder Cemetery in Paint Township.

Hochstetler, John D., 93, of Nappanee R2, Indiana

died Friday, Nov. 26, on the way to the Bremen Community Hospital after one week illness. He is survived by 7 sons, 6 daughters, 90 grandchildren, and 179 great-grandchildren. The 7 sons are, Levi, Rudy, and Solomon, all of Nappanee, William, Middlefield, Ohio, Harvey, Orrville, Ohio, John Millersburg, Ohio, and Joseph, Middlebury; six daughters, Mrs. Emmon Schmucker and Mrs. Elmer B. Troyer, both of Nappanee, Katie at home, Mrs. Herbert Miller, Milford, Mrs. Levi Schwartz, Etna Green, and Mrs. Eli Troyer, Plain City, Ohio. Also surviving are 2 half-brothers, Eli and Manasses, both of Nappanee, and 2 half-sisters, Miss Amelia Hochstetler, Plymouth, and Miss Emma Hochstetler, Nappanee.

Mr. Hochstetler was born near Nappanee on Dec. 24, 1877, and was a lifetime resident of the community. He was married on February 4, 1904 to Jemima Detweiler in Thomas, Okla. She died in 1962

King, Christ S., 47, Paradise R1, Pa.

was killed in an accident (see front page) Friday, November 19. Born in Leacock Twp. he was a son of the late John and Barbara (Fisher) King. Survivors include his wife, Katie K. (Lapp) King; six daughters, Rebecca, wife of Aaron Speicher, Witmer; Leah, wife of Benuel Smucker, Gap R1; Barbara, Rachel, Katie and Sadie, all at home; 2 sons, John, Emanuel and Abner, all at home; Brothers, Levi A., Gap R2; Jesse F. King, Ronks R1; John A. King Gordonville R1; Omar F. King, Coatesville R1; Eli F. King Ronks R1; Abner F. King, Kinzers R1; sisters, Mary, wife of Aaron E. Fisher, Paradise R D #1; Rebecca, wife of Emanuel L. Fisher, Gordonville R1; Emma, wife of Aaron F. King, Gordonville R D #1; Barbara, wife of Samuel E. Fisher, Paradise R1; and Miss Susie King, Ronks R1.

Funeral services were held by Emanuel Shrock from Ashland, Ohio and Amos F. Stoltzfus; Hymn was read by John K. Stoltzfus. Burial was in Gordonville Cemetery where a hymn was read by John K. Lapp; Abshied was by Samuel E. Fisher.

Lapp, David Z., 75, Gordonville R1, Pa.

died at 2:10 p. m. Tuesday, November 23 at his home after a lengthy illness. He was born in Leacock Twp., a son of the late Christian L. and Leah (Zook) Lapp. His wife, Sarah R. (Blank) Lapp, died in Jan. 1967. He was a retired farmer and also operated a hay and straw business. Surviving are 5 daughters, Rachel, wife of Samuel P. Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1; Rebecca, wife of Gideon Riehl, Kinzers R1; Fannie, wife of Elmer Smucker, Narvon R1; Leah, wife of Amos M. Stoltzfus, Elverson R2; and Miss Mary B. Lapp, at home; 2 sons, Christian B., Bird-in-Hand R1; and Amos B., Gordonville R1; 42 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; a sister, Rebecca, wife of Elam G. Stoltzfus, Myerstown R1; and 2 brothers, Isaac Z. and John Z., both of Gordonville R1.

Funeral services were held by Levi Mast and Bishop Amos E. King; Hymn read by Amos Fisher. Burial was in Myers Cemetery.

Lapp, Samuel F., aged 82 yr., 6 mo., 9 da., Gap, Pa.

died at 4:45 p.m. Wednesday, November 17 at his home. He had been under the care of a physician. (see front page) He was born in Leacock Twp., a son of the late John and Betsy (Fisher) Lapp. His wife Susie died February 21, 1971. Surviving are these sons and daughters; John B., Kinzers R1; Jonathan L., Gap R1; Lizzie, wife of Gideon Stoltzfus, Intercourse; Samuel L., Warten, Md.; Leroy S., Parkesburg R2; Miriam, wife of Christ S. Petersheim, Gap R1; Susie, wife of Aaron S. Glick, Quarryville R2; Isaac L., Gap; Christian L., Hermosa Beach, Calif.; Melvin L., Drumore; 40 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and these brothers and sisters, John K., New Holland R1; Lizzie Fisher, Gap R1; Katie, wife of Samuel U. Beiler, Gap R1; and Susie, wife of Stephen Stoltzfus, Kinzers R1.

Funeral services were held by Henry U. Fisher, and Bishop Henry N. Miller of Middlebury, Ind.; Hymn was read by Henry Yoder of Goshen, Ind. Burial was in Buena Vista Cemetery where a hymn was read by Emanuel Lapp; Abshied was by Sam F. Stoltzfus. Pallbearers were John S. Lapp, Amos L. Fisher, Ben K. Lantz, and Christian S. King

Miller, Leroy D., 22, Fredericksburg R2, Ohio

took his life by shooting himself with a 16 gauge shotgun Nov. 25. (see front page) Surviving are his parents, David M. and Saloma (Mast) Miller, Fredericksburg R2; his widow, Lydia Ann (Mast) Miller; an 11-month-old daughter, Anna, and 5 brothers and 7 sisters in the Millersburg, Fredericksburg and Apple Creek area.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Nov. 28 at 9 a.m. at the home of the widow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam L. Mast on County Rd. 214 between Mt. Hope and Mt. Eaton. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery on the farm where the death occured.

Miller, Mrs. Saloma E., 93, Millersburg R4, Ohio

died Saturday, November 13 in her residence following a long illness. Born near Baltic, she was a daughter of Abraham and Magdalena (Miller) Raber. Her husband Emanuel J. Miller died in 1946. Surviving are 5 daughters and 1 son, Mrs. Simon E. (Mattie) Troyer and Mrs. Adam H. (Lizzie) Miller, Millersburg R4; Mrs. Noah L. (Saloma) Yoder and Mrs. Emanuel E. (Mary) Hershberger, Baltic R1; Mrs. Ben J. (Fannie) Raber, Orrville R2; and Sam E. Miller of the home; a sister and 2 brothers, Mrs. C. C. (Mattie) Yoder and Abe A. Raber, both of Millersburg, and Jonathan A. Raber of Lakeville; 45 grandchildren, 145 great-grandchildren, 23 step grandchildren, and 8 great-great-grandchildren. A daughter, two sons, four sisters and four brothers preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Joe M. Hershberger; Burial was in the Miller Family Cemetery in Mechanic Township.

Peachey, Daniel Y., 81, Belleville, Pa.

died November 27 at the age of 81 yr., 1 mo., 13 da. Born October 14, 1890 he was a son of the late Dea. Jacob H. and Elizabeth (Yoder) Peachey. He was married November 26, 1914 to Fannie Peachey. To this union were born 8 children, Joseph 8., Daniel J., Aaron Z., Benjamin Z., and Eli B., all of Belleville R1; Mrs. Daniel (Rachel) Swarey, Reedsville, Mrs. John R. (Salina) Renno, Danville, Pa. Fannie died March 16, 1952; a daughter Sadie died in 1944 aged 14 years. Daniel married second time in 1958 to Nancy B. Peachey, widow of Pre. Abram A. Peachey. Nancy died February 27, 1967.

He was bothered with arthritis for the last 8 to 10 years, had much pain and got around with crutches. They often carried him on a chair to and from the house at church. He attended church regularly until this last fall. He had open sores on his legs which caused him much pain. On October 3 he had a stroke which affected his speech but did not paralize him. He got weaker, had not eaten for the last 6 weeks. His second wife's granddaughter, Nancy B. Peight kept house for him and helped take care of him since Nancy, her grandmother died.

He leaves to mourn his departure, his children, 4 step children, Pre. Daniel M. Peachey, Mrs. Daniel (Lena) Peight, Mrs. David (Katie) Kanagy, Mrs. Steven (Susie) Peachey, 43 grandchildren, 19 step grandchildren; also these brothers and sisters, Jacob, of Leola, Amos, Elverson, Noah and Rufus, Belleville, Thomas, Myerstown, Mrs. Mary Zook, Belleville, Mrs. David (Annie) Swarey, Mrs. Isreal (Gertrude) Swarey, Mechanicsville, Md., and Mrs. Joseph (Leah) Kanagy, Stuarts Draft, Virginia.

Funeral services were held November 30 at the home of a grandson, Josiah H. Peachey, by John Peachey of Canada and Bishop Emanuel K. Peachey. Burial was in Allensville Amish Cemetery.

Wittmer, Mrs. Mattie, 87, Montgomery R1, Indiana

died at 8:20 a.m. Saturday, November 13 after being seriously ill since March. She was born June 1, 1884 to Joseph and Fannie (Wagler) Graber near Loogootee in Daviess County. On February 15, 1906 she married Amos G. Wittmer, who survives. He is a bishop. Three daughters and three sons survive, Barbara, Lena, Mary, Noah, and Joseph, all of Montgomery, and Ben, of Odon. One son preceded her in death. Three sisters also survive, Mrs. Mary Graber, Loogootee, Mrs. Barbara Graber, Montgomery, and Mrs. Amos Yoder, LaGrange, Ind. There are 23 grandchildren and 31 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the house by Joe Schmucker, and Henry Delegrange of Camden, Mich., in the barn by Chrissie Schmucker of New Haven, Ind. and Bishop Chriss Otto of Ill.; Burial in Stoll Cem.

Yoder, Ezra E., 54, Dundee R1, Ohio

died Saturday night, November 27 in Doctors Hospital at Massillon following a 10-day illness. He was a life resident of the Wilmot-Mount Eaton area, and was a farmer. His widow is the former Mattie Miller. Also surviving are a daughter, Katie of the home; two sisters and three brothers, Mrs. Enos A. Schrock and Sam E. of R1, Dundee, Mrs. John J. Miller and Dan E., of R3, Navarre, and Joe E., of R3, Freeport. Burial was in the Eli J. Miller Cemetery.

Yoder, John, infant son of Eli H. Miller, Baltic, O.

Graveside services were held Friday morning, November 26 in the Yoder Cemetery for John E. Yoder, son of Eli H. and Fannie Miller of R1, Baltic, Ohio, who was stillborn Wednesday in Pomerene Memorial Hospital at Millersburg. Other survivors are two brothers, Ivan and Ray of the home, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam E. Miller of R4, Millersburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Yoder of R1, Baltic. A sister is deceased. Services were held by Bishop Dan D. J. Miller.

Zook, Barbara, 15, Somerset County, Pa.

died November 11 from a gunshot wound. (see front page) Her age was 15 yr., 11 mo., 26 days. She leaves her parents, Andy Zooks, one grandmother, 3 brothers and 3 sisters as follows, Sadie 17, Jonas 14, Rachel 11, Menno 9, Abner 7, and Mary 2. Her mother was a daughter of the late Joe Hershberger formerly from Delaware. Pall bearers were Floyd E. Summy, Noah D. Yoder, Levi H. and Aaron S. Kinsinger. Funeral services were held at Summit Mills by John Miller and Bishop Joe M. Hershberger.

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MARRIAGES

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

November 2 – Isaac, son of David C. and Rebecca (Zook) Swarey, and Lavina, daughter of Pre. Ezra and Lavina (Byler) Kanagy, by Bishop Jacob Stoltzfus of Brush Valley, Centre County, Pa.

November 4 – Henry, son of Pre. Daniel M. and Julia (Peight) Peachey, and Leah, daughter of Eli and Linda (Byler) Peachey, by Bishop Jacob E. Byler

November 9 – Abraham, son of David S. and Katie (Peachey) Kanagy, and Emma, daughter of Levi and Judith (Swarey) Kanagy, by Bishop Emanuel Peachey.

November 16 – Israel, son of Henry and Katie (Peachey) Kanagy, and Annie, daughter of Jesse S. and Nancy (Peachey) Peachey, by Bishop John M. Beiler of Lancaster County, Pa.

November 18 – Elmer, son of Eli and Linda (Byler) Peachey, and Mary, daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Yoder) Zook, by Bishop Jacob E. Byler

November 23 – Jacob, son of David and Rebecca (Zook) Swarey, and Katie, daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Yoder) Zook, by Bishop Joshua Renno

November 25 – Henry, son of David and Katie (Peachey) Kanagy, and Annie, daughter of Abram Z. and Katie (Peight) Peachey, by Bishop Emanuel K. Peachey

St. Mary's County, Maryland

November 16 – Ben, son of Elam and Mary Stoltzfus and Mary, daughter of Mose and Mary Hostetler, by Bishop Samuel J. Stoltzfus

November 18 – John, son of Mose and Mary Hostetler, and Lydia, daughter of Aaron and Naomi Hertzler, by Bishop Daniel E. Stoltzfus

November 23 – Mose, son of Jacob and Susie Swarey, and Nancy, daughter of Daniel and Sarah Zook, by Bishop Samuel J. Stoltzfus

November 30 – Johnnie, son of Steve and Fannie Kurtz, and Varonica, daughter of Sol and Katie Yoder, by Bishop Samuel J. Stoltzfus

Adams County, Indiana

November 14 – Anna J., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob L. Shetler, Monroe R1, and Jacob Coblentz, of Ohio

November 18 – Salome V., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David W. Schwartz, Geneva R1, and Samuel E., son of Mr. and Mrs. Enos Girod, Monroe R1

November 25 – Edna Petersheim, daughter of Bishop and Mrs. Samuel Hilty, Geneva R2, and Menno Jr., son of Mrs. Menno Eicher, Berne R2

November 25 – Amanda M., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe A. Hilty, Monroe R1, and Atlee Herschberger of Apple Creek, Ohio

Daviess County, Indiana

November 18 – Martin, son of Joel & Fannie Stoll, and Josephine, daughter of Jerome and Naomi Raber, by Bishop Joe L. Graber

November 25 – Paul, son of Arthur and Alta Wagler, and Barbara, daughter of Pre. William Millers, by Bishop Melvin Miller of Middlebury, Indiana

LaGrange County, Indiana

November 9 – Simon, son of Jancey Smucker of Nappanee, and Martha, twin daughter of the late Amos J. and Katie (Hochstetler) Yoder, by Bishop Tobias Slabauch of Nappanee

November 11 – Dennis, son of Elva and Ida Mae (Miller) Lehman, and Linda, daughter of Levi and Mandy (Gingerich) Jones

November 16 – Merlin, son of Edward and Celesta (Hochstedler) Lehman, and Mary, twin daughter of the late Amos J. and Katie (Hochstedler) Yoder, by Bishop Henry N. Miller

November 18 – Freeman, son of Daniel M. and Mattie (Yoder) Glick, and Nettie, daughter of the late Milt and Mrs. Anna (Hochstedler) Lambright

November 25 – Harley, son of Noah M. and Lizzie Ann (Miller) Miller, and Mary Alice, daughter of David and the late Amanda (Beachy) Petersheim

November 25 – Christy, son of Tobias L. and the late Lydiann (Miller) Yoder, and Katie Mast of Holmes County, Ohio

ORDINATIONS

Buchanan County, Iowa

David Yutzy, 23, was ordained a minister Oct. 30 in Bishop Levi Bontrager's Middle East District, by Bishop Christ Bontrager from Tomah Wisconsin

Phillip Yoder, 32, was ordained minister Oct. 31 in South West District, by Bishop Christ Bontrager from Tomah, Wisconsin

Johnson County, Iowa

Lester A. Coblentz, 32, was ordained minister on October 30 in the N.W. Dist., by Bishop Glen Bender

Alton Yoder, 34, was ordained minister on Oct. 31 in the S.E. District by Bishop Enos Swartzentruber

Alvin T. Miller, 31, was ordained minister on Nov. 7 in Glen Bender's Middle District, by Bishop Glen. Bishop Glen is also just 31 at this time.

Lord willing a minister shall be ordained in Levi Schrock's District on December 5.

Jamesport, Missouri

November 6 – Deacon Jonas A. Kurtz was ordained minister in Tobe Detweiler District. He is the son of Andy D. Kurtz of Buchanan County, Iowa.

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Das fröhliche Hochzeitmahl

O wie schön und lieblich ist es die jüngling und jungfrauen sehen um der hochzeit tisch sitzen und die geistliche Lieder absingen zu Gottes ehr. Es macht eine freud und liebe daß die herzen die Gläubigen zusammen bindet.

Unsere Hochzeitmahlen wehren nur ein tag. Dann ist es zeit weider zu scheiden und ein jeglicher nach sein Haus gehen. Aber es ist ein Hochzeit-Tag zukünftig wo wir niemals gesehen haben und ganz unbegreiflich ist. Die hochmütigen werden es nicht erlangen aber die demütigen werden sich völlig freuen das neue Lied zu singen. Die unbegreiflich sach ist daß es nimmer aufhört und nicht weider zeit wird heim zu gehen.

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Lancaster County, Pa. by Levi L. Stoltzfus

The rainfall for the Bareville area was 4.31 in. The first killing frost was Friday, November 5th.

Market Report: Choice fat cattle sold for $37.00 Cwt.; Stockers and Feeders sold from 27.00 to 41.50 Cwt.; Fat Hogs are selling from 20.50 to 23.00 Cwt.; Feeder Pigs weighing 40 lb., 16.00; A load of cows sold at New Holland from 530.00 to 800.00; Large Eggs, .39; Potatoes, 2.00 to 2.50 Cwt.; Hay at Green Dragen sold 34.00 to 61.00 ton; Straw, 39.00 to 44.00 ton; Ear Corn, 37.50 ton, 1.24, Bu.; Wheat, 1.50 Bu.; Barley, 1.05 Bu; Oats, .85 Bu.

by Elam S. Beiler

Farmers were baling and shredding corn fodder, and catching up on add jobs between weddings. The tobacco stripping has started. There was quite a bit of plowing done and manure hauling the past month.

by Ammon F. Fisher

November started in with 70 degree temperature. Nov. 2 had 75 degrees with 3/10 inches rain in the form of thunder showers in the eve. Nov 4 it turned colder, shoes and coats being worn. Nov. 5, had 27 degrees, first real killing frost for this fall. Nov. 8 the ground froze. Coldest was 19 degrees, a very mild November with three times snow flurries. Total rainfall, 4.1 inches ending with ground wet and the temperature at 30 degrees.

Juniata County, Pa. by David Y. Renno

The weather in Juniata Co. during November was either very warm or very cold. Had 4 inches rainfall and 2 snows, about 14 in. fill on the night before Thanksgiving Day which soon melted down to about two inches. Also had heavy snow followed by rain on the 29th, the first day of deer season, so that not many deer were gotten the first day. Now it's turned very cold and some of this snow may remain with us all winter.

Snyder County, Pa. by Sam M. Troyer

November, it seems to me, was rather warmer than usual, although we had 17 degrees on two mornings, the 9th and 23rd. We had between 2 and 3 inches of rain, and on the 25th we had over a foot of wet snow. It was hard on some trees and electricity was off for over a day. On the 29th, the first day of deer season, it snowed and rained. There were a lot of wet clothes hanging around the stove in the evening.

Mifflin County, Pa. by Catherine Swarey

The first week was very nice, getting colder over the weekend. Hard frost on Nov. 3. Sunday the 7th, was windy, not above 24 degrees all day, snow flurries the 7th and 8th. Second week was more like Indian summer, sun dog sedn the eve. of Nov. 12th. Thunder, lightning and rain early Monday morning, Nov. 15. Mostly pleasant days the rest of the week. Cool and rainy over weekend of 21st, 1.1 in. of rain, 9 in. snow over Thanksgiving Day. Snow some since but not measureable, lowest temperature was 11.

Somerset County, Pa. by Abe S. Kinsinger

Nice November weather with cows out in pasture up to the 20th when it started to snow, and were having a lot of snow since. Crops are mostly taken care of. Deer hunters were out wading snow the last two days of November with two out of three Lucky Ohio Fellows that were here at our place.

St. Mary's County, Maryland by Amos R. Stoltzfus

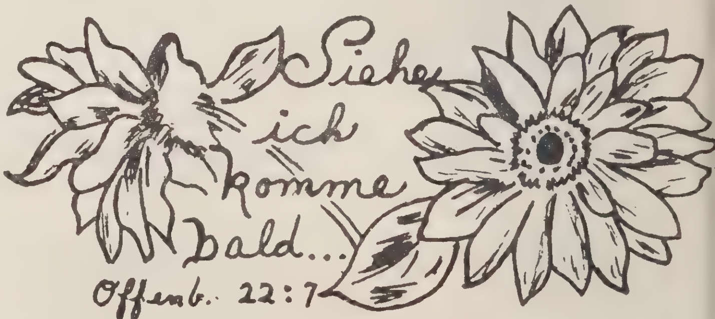
First frost of the season November 4, heavy frost the next morning. Had a lot of very nice weather, a lot of rain and no snow on the ground, although some in the air. Coldest was around 23 degrees. Deer season is open now with quite a number killed.

Holmes County, Ohio by David E. Miller

We are having nice winter weather at the present time, not very cold, snow off and on. Our deer season opens on Monday, the 29th, just for three days and only Buck Season. This snow will suit the hunters. There is still some corn to husk and some fodder to shred. We had our Indian Summer with temperatures up to 75 degrees a few days the third week of Nov. Work among the men is cutting wood and hauling manure and attending sales. We are having lots of Farm Sales.

Adams County, Indiana by Mary Ann Hilty

For the month of November we had high of 73 degrees on the 14th, low of 16 on the 8th and 23rd. The rainfall was 1.27 inches, snow totaled 1.5 inches. There were 5 clear days, 11 partly cloudy, 14 cloudy, and 7 rainy days. There were no thunderstorms.



Daviess County, Indiana by Lester Marner

Very little rainfall in November, first frost of the season Nov. 3, with snow following on the 6th. It was unseasonably warm over the 13th through 30th. Hogs, $20.25; Milk, $4.65; Eggs, 30¢ a dozen.

Arthur, Illinois by Menno A. Diener

The month of November was very nice. On the 6th the temperature was 20 above zero with just a snow flurrie once in a while. On the 8th it was 16 above. On the night of the 26th we had about one inch rain. It had been pretty dry to plow. Two farm sales, at Edwin D. Schrock Nov. 26 and Sam J. Miller Nov. 30.

Buchanan County, Iowa by Joe A. Yoder

We had about 2 inches of rain and 12 inches of snow during the month of November. Coldest was on Nov. 7, 10 above zero wuth quite a strong wind. There is still some corn to pick by hand, also some corn fodder shredding to do.

Jamesport, Missouri by Amos W. Yoder

November was mostly warm and pleasant with a few nice showers, till the 23rd it snowed nearly all day and again the 29th it snowed about four inches. The coldest morning was 14 degrees. Feeder calves have been selling quite high this fall, bringing up to 45 and 50¢ a lb. for the best ones.

Aylmer, Ontario, Canada by LeRoy Eicher

Most of November was still quite warm with some rain. Corn is $1.05 a bushel at present.

"November is Wedding Month" by David Y. Renno

November is wedding month for us Pennsylvania Amish. Some of the more modern churches rebuke us for doing it our way, but I still think we have the best way. Some have it on a Saturday evening and very short. They read a few passages from the Bible then marry them and it's all over, with some singing and music mixed in. Others have it only on Sundays with their regular church services, followed by a noonday meal for a few close relatives. Which is all very well. Our way is to have an all day affair of it. The forenoon is preaching, mostly about Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, how they received their wives, also of King David and Solomon, and of Ruth, Sampson, and Tobias.

The middle-aged people do the cooking by couples, man and wife together. Some make roasts, others potatoes, and others cooked celery. The younger folks are table waiters, man and wife together, each has their certain part of table to care for. The young folks go to the table by pairs, boy and girl together. All afternoon and evening is spent in singing, while the table waiters wash dishes and reset the tables.

We have had four weddings in Lancaster County this season. The one was of our youngest son, which made it more special. Each sermon is somewhat different from the others and all are very interesting and very good. I have not seen anything disorderly going on at any of them.

One thing different in Lancaster County from the rest of the U. S. Amish is that they have church services in the same house the meal is served in. They invite all the people from their home church district from 16 years up, all uncles and aunts and all the Bride's and Groom's cousins that are single from 16 years up, also a number of buddies or special friends. But no outsiders or "English" people are there as a rule. They seat the people by their Freundſchaft. The parents, the brothers and sisters come first, then uncles, aunts and cousins, while the church people come last. The groom's relatives are special guests and do no work at all that day, while the bride's relatives do all the work as well as the neighbors. A parent or an uncle, a brother or brother-in-law will do the preaching if possible. Also the singing is done by the close relatives. The bride's parents are guests and do no work that day.

Everyone partakes of the sermon except the cooks which work mostly all forenoon but come in in time to hear the bishop preach the main sermon. They like to have them married by 11 o'clock, standard time, and services are usually over by 12:30. The tables are quickly set up, made of benches on trestles. They all had been fitted in the day before. Before the guests are all out the church girls come in with table cloths and dishes and tables are set in a short time.

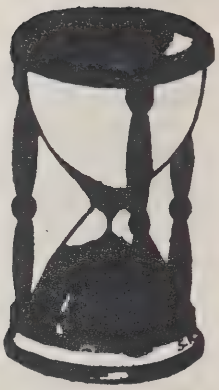
The Freundſchaft eats first while the church people and neighbors not related eat last. As soon as one table is filled they bow heads in silent prayer, while another table nearby is still being set up and filled. As soon as the folks at a table are finished eating the waitresses gather the dishes and the girls from that church district wash them in a hurry and the table waiters carry them back and set the table again for the next group. The workers eat last at noon and first in the evening. The preachers do not eat together at one table but eat according to their Freundſchaft. The preachers that are not related eat at the last table, while those related may eat first. A preacher does not lead in prayer at every table.

After all have eaten the noon meal the big table is reset with corn starch pudding, fruit and celery. The single young folks come in by pairs, sit around the tables and singing is started, usually around 3 o'clock, while visiting is going on in another room by the people not related, as only the related people have room to sit in with the singing. You always meet many people you haven't seen for a long time, and there is no one there that knows everybody else. that's there.

At the evening meal the married folks all eat first. The bride's and groom's parents eat at the "Ec' with the uncles and aunts next. The evening meal is usually candied sweet potatoes, cooked chicken crackers with gravy, sometimes fish sticks, co and doughnuts. Very little layer cake is used at the weddings.

The horses are all fed grain and watered during the afternoon and moved from stable to up on the barn floor. Many of the folks have a two hour drive going home. The wedding is usually all over by midnight. The young folks leave for home before the old folks.

The Hour Glass



Days well spent are drops all Sparkling
In the waters deep and broad,
Of Eternity's Great Ocean,
Every drop is held by God.
Days well spent are Shining Jewels
Scattered in the peaceful road
Which to happiness will lead us
To our Father's blest abode.

From the Writing Book of Lydia L. (Fisher) Petersheim

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Island Lake, N. D., Oct. 13 – Threshing is about over which was a great run. Wheat yields from 25 to 50 bu. per acre; Oats, 50 to 75; Barley, 40 to 80.

Hauling wheat to the elevator is the order of the day among the farmers, which sells from 33 to 40 cts. per bu.

We had quite a number of visitors through this country from Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, and they all seemed to like the country very well.

Quite a few day laborers came from the East; among them is Sanil P. Miller, Joni Miller, Dan Hostetler and Adam Yoder. They came out here to strike higher wages; they get from $1.50 to $2.00 per day, and a man with a team gets $4.00 per day.

Ed. J. Miller came here from Indiana, to make this his future home.

John A. and Lydia Yoder were married Sept. 30th.

Joe and Rudy Yoder are happy over the arrival of their little wood choppers.

All the crops were very good out here except corn; that was bit on the ear by Jack Frost.

Jacob Mullet is out here with a new threshing outfit and is making the wheat fly like a North Dakota blizzard; he has about two weeks threshing engaged yet.

Joe Slawbaugh's new house is completed. E. D. Weirigh will build a new house too; he has the cellar dug.

I have learned that we will have some Kansas people here. I read a song about that nice country some time ago. But I guess that song had better ended this way: "Go fill me up another glass for I am getting dry, and don't you believe this song sir, it's every bit a lie."

Now I leave this country just what she is. I don't brag on it, neither do I condemn it; I let everybody come and see for themselves.

Nice weather at present; warm days and cold frosty nights. This leaves us all well.

G. D. CHUPP & E. D. WEIRIGH

FROM COSHOCTON COUNTY

Bakersville, Ohio, Oct. 26 – We are having cool and dry weather.

Farmers are busy husking corn, which is a good crop.

Gust Ripple is making cider every day; apples are an abundant crop in this locality; they sell for from 10 to 25¢ per bushel out of the orchard.

Mrs. Aaron Corbet died yesterday. Funeral will take place from her residence to-morrow.

Daniel J. Miller and wife, of Charm, Henry S. Hostetler and wife, Mt. Hope, John Yoder and wife, Jacob Schlabach and wife, of Sugarcreek, were in our midst on last Sunday.

Market: Wheat, 60¢; Corn, 25¢; Oats, 20 to 25¢; Potatoes, 25¢.

A. D. MILLER

Shipshewana, Ind., Oct. 17 – A few scratches for the BUDGET.

Cool nights and warm days.

Husking corn and picking apples is the order of the day. Apples are very plenty and are given away.

Our corn is better here than it has been for a number of years.

S. S. and E. S. Shrock returned home this afternoon from their trip to North Dakota.

Rev. David S. Kauffman intends to make his 2nd trip to N. D. in the near future.

Potatoes are a good crop here and are selling at 25 cts. per bu.

Mrs. Jerry Troyer returned home yesterday from Ohio, accompanied by her son David Kauffman, of Kansas.

We will thank the Lord for the good health he has provided or us, at present in this vicinity.

E. M. HOCHSTETLER

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

THE RIEHL FAMILY

The family of John and Levina (Yoder) Riehl is being continued from previous issues.

submitted by Amos L. Fisher

RECORD NO. 16

FAMILY RECORD

OF

EZRA B. KAUFMAN AND **CATHARINE LEVINA RIEHL**

BORN January 10, 1864 AT Menno Tp., Mifflin County, Pa.
MARRIED January 1, 1889 AT Residence of Rev. John Beaver BY Rev. John Beaver
DIED ____ AT ____
AGED ___ YEARS, ___ MONTHS, ___ DAYS.
SEE RECORD NO. ____

BORN October 8, 1869 AT East Buf. Twp, Union Co. Pa.
DIED August 29, 1897, AT Champaign County, Ohio.
AGED 27 YEARS 10 MONTHS 21 DAYS
SEE RECORD NO. 6

BIRTHS

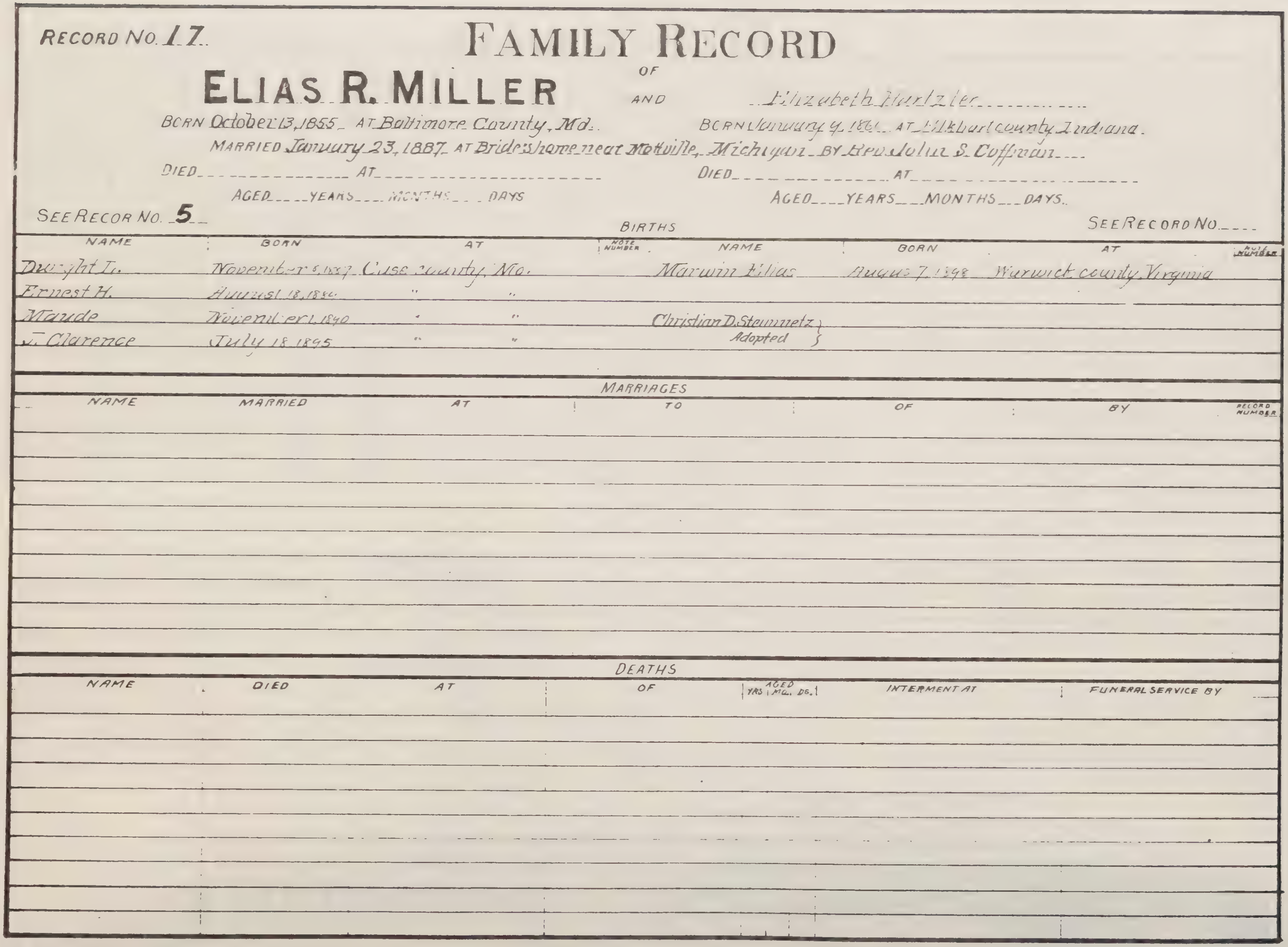
NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER
Harry J.	February 2, 1892	E. Buf. Tp, Union County, Pa.					
Roy R.	March 18, 1893.	" " "					
Robert E. Kau	February 13, 1895	Salem Tp. Champaign Co. Ohio.					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NUMBER
Harry J.	February 23, 1913	Residence of S. E. Allgyer, West Liberty, Ohio.	Malinda Smucker	Salem Township, Champaign County, Ohio	Rev. S. E. Allgyer	

DEATHS.

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS.	MO.	DS.	INTERMENT AT



RECORD NO. 17

FAMILY RECORD

OF

ELIAS R. MILLER AND Elizabeth Hartzler

BORN October 13, 1855 AT Baltimore County, Md.

BORN January 4, 1861 AT Elkhart county Indiana.

MARRIED January 23, 1887 AT Bride's home near Mottville, Michigan BY Rev. John S. Coffman

DIED _____ AT _____

AGED ___ YEARS ___ MONTHS ___ DAYS

DIED _____ AT _____

AGED ___ YEARS ___ MONTHS ___ DAYS.

SEE RECOR NO. 5

SEE RECORD NO. ____

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NUMBER
Dwight I.	November 6, 1887	Cass county, Mo.		Marvin Elias	August 7, 1898	Warwick county Virginia	
Ernest H.	August 18, 1889	" "					
Maude	November 1, 1890	" "		Christian D. Steinmetz } Adopted }			
J. Clarence	July 18, 1895	" "					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NUMBER

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS. MO. DS.	INTERMENT AT	FUNERAL SERVICE BY

RECORD No. 18.

FAMILY RECORD

JOSEPH HERTZLER OF AND NANCY MILLER

BORN January 7, 1849 AT Caernarvon Twp, Lancaster Co., Pa. BORN March 3, 1857 AT Baltimore County, Md.

MARRIED December 16, 1886 AT Hartford, Kansas BY Rev. John P. King

DIED ________ AT ________ DIED January 19, 1915 AT Near Glenarm, Md.

AGED ____ YEARS ____ MONTHS ____ DAYS AGED 57 YEARS 10 MONTHS 16 DAYS

SEE RECORD NO. ____ SEE RECORD NO. 5

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.
Silas	July 27, 1888.	Baltimore, Md.		Ethan	December, 7, 1893.	Baldwin, Md.	
Asa.	August 7, 1889.	Baldwin, "		Mark,	June 21, 1895	" "	
Mary	January 22, 1891	" "		Esther	February 22, 1899	" "	
Amy.	December 16, 1892	" "		Freda (Adopted)	March 5, 1911.	Springfield, Ohio.	

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NO.

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS	AGED MO	AGED DS.	INTERMENT AT	FUNERAL SERVICE BY
Amy.	July 26, 1893	Baldwin, Md.	Cholera Infantum	7	—	10	Long Green Mennonite Cemetery	

RECORD No. 19

FAMILY RECORD

ARCHIBALD D. WARFEL OF AND FANNY LEVINA MILLER

BORN July 21, 1857 AT Lancaster County, Pa. BORN October 17, 1862 AT East Buffalo Twp, Union Co Pa
MARRIED May 15, 1883, AT Chilicothe, Ohio BY ?
DIED AT DIED AT
AGED AGED
SEE RECORD No. SEE RECORD No. 5

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.
Alma Margaret	April 9, 1884	Cass County, Mo.					
Ida May	August 28, 1886	Talbot County, Md.					
Bertha Elvina	August 16, 1888	Baltimore County, "					
Charles Howard	June 17, 1894	" "					
Barbara Elizabeth	April 3, 1899	" "					

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NO.
Ida May	May 19, 1908	Baltimore County, Md.	William H. Bayne	Towson, Md.	Rev. A. J. Porter	
Bertha Elvina	February 3, 1910.	Norfolk County, Va.	Daniel H. Wanner	Norfolk County, Va.	Rev. J. D. Wert	37
Alma Margaret						

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS	AGED MO.	AGED DS	BURIED AT	FUNERAL SERMON BY

RECORD NO. 20

FAMILY RECORD

PHILIP H. HOCH OF AND CATHARINE R. MILLER

BORN September 1, 1866 AT Brighton, Iowa BORN March 4, 1868 AT Union County, Pa.

MARRIED October 16, 1887 AT Hartford, Kanasas. BY Rev. M. V. Robins.

DIED AT DIED AT

AGED AGED

SEE RECORD NO. SEE RECORD NO. 5

BIRTHS

NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.	NAME	BORN	AT	NOTE NO.
Ralph M.	August 17, 1888	Hartford, Kansas.		Glen Oscar	April 14, 1901	Hartford, Kansas.	
Orme Leo	October 4, 1890.	" "		John Arthur	February 20, 1903	" "	
Elsie Launa	February 9, 1895	Kansas City, "		Ivin True.	September 22, 1905	" "	
Alvin Monroe	February 5, 1897	Hartford, "		Lura Kathryn	February 5, 1908	" "	
Esther Freda	May 1, 1899.	" "		Ernest Russel	January 17, 1913	" "	

MARRIAGES

NAME	MARRIED	AT	TO	OF	BY	RECORD NO.
Ralph M.	October 16, 1912	Bride's home, Hartford, Kan.	Lena May Zimmerman	Hartford, Kansas.	Rev. E. T. Rice.	
Orme Leo	November 19, 1913	M. E. Parsonage, " "	Rose Esther Zimmerman	" "	" C. R. Rice.	

DEATHS

NAME	DIED	AT	OF	AGED YRS	AGED MO	AGED DS	BURIED AT	FUNERAL SERMON BY
Ernest Russel,	February 18, 1913	Near Hartford, Kansas.	Bronchial Pneumonia		1	1	Hartford Cemetery	

The following article is from "Bilder aus Dem Pilgerleben, Volume III, 1883" and contains the original German setting of the poem which appears on the back page.

Aus Trüben Zeiten

(Nach alten Papieren und den Erzählung eines Großvaters.)

„Gelt, Großvater, es giebt Kreig?“ frug die kleine Eliſabeth änſtlich ihren Großvater, der in ſeinen bis zu den Knieen reichenden Lederhoſen und in kurzem Wamms im roh gezimmerten Lehnſtuhl ſaß.

„Ja, in Frankreich geht's bös her,“ entgegnete der Großvater, „wer weiß, was wir noch erleben in den acht Jahren, biſ wir 1800 ſchreiben.“ Es enſtand eine kleine Pauſe.

Sehen wir uns unterdeſſen etwas näher um. Wir befinden uns in einer Bauernſtube. Ein ſtarker Tiſch aus Eichenholz mit Kreuzbeinen, eine Bank dahinter, einige Stühle und in der Ecke ein großes Himmelbett mit grünem Vorhang und hohem Stollenkranz, auf dem eine Reihe rothbackiger Aepfel ſteht: das iſt ſo ziemlich der ganze Hausrath, der allem Anſchein nach auch ein „hausgemachter“ iſt. In der Ecke, in welcher der Großvater ſitzt, hängt ein kleines Eckſchränkchen, auf welchem einige Bücher ſtehen. Vor allem fällt uns das große Buch in ſtarkem Ledereinband in die Augen. Oeffnen wir es, ſo finden wir auf der Innenſeite folgende Worte, von kräftiger Männerhand geſchrieben: „Dieſe Bibel gehöret mir Heinrich Krehbiel zu Weyerhof und habe ſie gekaufet in dem Jahre [illegible] und hat gekoſtet 5 fl. [illegible] alb. (Albus = 2 Kreuzer.

„Quäl dich in Kreuz und Trübſal nicht,
Setz nur auf Gott dein Zuverſicht!
Es mögen dich viel fechten an,
Dem bei Troſt, der's nicht laſſen kann.
Ach, bedenke, Chriſt, das Ende!
Fürchte Gott! Harre in kindlicher Liebe!
Murre nicht, ob Pein und Qual [illegible]!
Sei tugendvoll und wandle exemplariſch
jeder Zeit!

Ein eiſernes Hängelicht, das an einem Nagel an der Wand angebracht iſt, erleuchtet die Stube nur ſpärlich. Die Großmutter, Mutter und das älteſte Töchterchen Katharina drehen eifrig ihre Spinnrädchen, während der Hausvater damit beſchäftigt iſt, Weiden zu ſortiren, aus welchen er an den langen Winterabenden Körbe und Beſen für den Hausbedarf fabrieirt. Selbſt der Großvater erfreut noch manchmal die heranblühenden Enkelinnen mit ſelbſt gemachten niedlichen Korbkleinen Beſen.

Nach einer Weile zog der Großvater die Kleine an ſich, ſtrich ihr das krauſe Haar von der Stirne zurück und ſagte lächelnd: „Weißt du denn, was Krieg iſt?“

„Ja, Großvater,“ verſetzte ſie ſchnell, „imm Kriege ſchlagen die Leute einander todt. Werd ich auch todtgeſchlagen, Großvater?“ und in ihren Aeuglein perlten zwei Thräunen.

Doch ehe er antworten konnte, ſtand der älteſte, neinjährige Sohn, der wie ſein Großvater Heinrich hieß, an ſeiner Seite und ſagte: „Warſt du auch ſchon im Krieg?“

„Ach, Gottlob, noch nicht; aber mein Großvater hat gewußt, was Krieg iſt, der hat viel erzählt davon.“

„Gelt, dein Großvater iſt in der Schweiz fortgejagt worden,“ forſchte Heinrich weiter.

„Ja, er iſt vor ungefähr 120 Jahren aus der Schweiz vertrieben worden.“

„Das war ein büſer Mann, dein Großvater, gelt du, ſonſt wäre er nicht fortgejagt worden,“ meinte die kleine Suſanna.

„Nein, ihr Kinder, mein Großvater war ein rechtſchaffener, gotteſfüuchtiger Mann.“

„Erzähle uns doch, was du von ihm weißt,“ baten die Kinderü

„Gerne will ich es thun,“ erwiderte der Großvater, „zumal ich nicht weiß, ob ich lange bei Euch ſein werde. Heute Abend will ich Euch denn vorleſen, was mein Großvater ſelbſt von ſeinem Leben aufgeſchrieben hat.“ Während er nun ging, das Schriftſtück zu holen, rückten die Kinder den Lehnſtuhl näher zum Lichte und poſtirten ſich um denſelben. Auch die Spinnerinnen kamen näher herbei, damit ihnen nichts entgehen ſollte. Bald kam der Großvater zurück. er einfaltete ein großes gelbliches Papier, lagte ein kleines vor ſich auf den Tiſch ynd begann alſo zu leſen:

„Was ich Peter Crahbühl erlebt habe.“

„Ich bin in der Schweiz geboren, im Bernerland. Nicht weit von der Aar ſtand mein Vaterhaus. Es war ein Schöner Bauerhof; rings umher ſtanden ſchöne Obſtbäume. Unſer Gut gehörte zur Gemeinde Zäziwyl. Meine Mutter ſtarb frühe und der Vater zog meine zwei Brüder und mich auf, ohne ſich wieder zu verheirathen. Wir wurden zur Gottesfurcht und fleißigen Bibelleſen angehalten, bebauten unſer Feld und kümmerten uns um andre Dinge wenig. Wir kamen Sonntags mit unſern Glaubensgenoſſen zuſammen, bald dü, bald dort, um uns gemeinſchaftlich aus Gottes Wort zu erbauen. Wir wohnten ſehr zerſtreut. Die einen im Emmenthal, die andern im Simmenthal, einige auch im Haslithal. Viele waren Bauern wie wir, doch gab es auch Handwerker unter uns, beſanderſ Weber und Holzſchnitzer. Wir thaten nie niemanden was zu

Leibe; ein jeder lebte ſeinem Berufe. Da brach um das Jahr des Harrn 1670 die Verfolgung wieder aus. Man hieß uns Ketzer und beſchimpfte uns überall. Wir trieben, ſagten ſie, Zauberei und ſtünden mit dem Teufel im Bunde. Das war noch zu ertragen, wir fühlten uns im Gewiſſen unſchuldig. Bald aber wurden viele gefangen geſetzt und wurden maltraitirt; ſie ſollten ihren Glauben abſchwören. Auch unſer Vater kam ins Gefängniß nach Bern; Unſer Bitten und Flehen war umſanſt; umſonſt betheuerten wir, er ſei unſchuldig. Unſere Bedrängniß war groß. Wir ſuchten Hilfe bei den Nachbarn; aber überall fanden wir gleiche Trübſal. Unſer Vater wurde als Hauptketzer betrachtet; man brauchte bei ihm Liſt und Gewalt; er blieb aber ſeinem Glauben treu. Eines Tages kam wieder ein bewaffneter Landjäger zu uns mit dem kurzen Auftrag „er ſöll mi enanderigsnoh is Loch ie gheie.“ (Er ſolle uns nocheinander in das Loch (Gefängniß) werfen.) Als ich ihm entgegnete: „Nur ſachte, gutter Freund ſo geht man doch nicht mit der Menſchheit um,“ da ſagte er: „Es iſch mer jo au nid rächt gſi, aber die Herre z'Bärn ha gſeit, du ſöttiſch chli mit mer abe cho.“ (Es iſt mir ja auch nicht recht geweſen, aber die Herrn zu Bern haben geſagt, du ſollteſt gleich mit mir hinumter kommen.) Ich ſah, der Mann that dieſen Dienſt nur ungern, drum ſafte ich zu ihm: „D'hr wärd't aber doch nid ohne öppis Aeße uf Bärn ahe wölli; d'rum wämer z'erſt no mit enand e Kacheli Warms näh.“ (Ihr werdet aber doch nicht ohne etwas Eſſen nach Bern hinunter wollen, drum wollen wir zuerſt eine Taſſe Warmes nehmen.) So kam auch ich nach Bern in das Gefängniß. Dort hörte ich, wie mein armer Vater mißhandelt und gequält wurde, hörte aber auch, wie er wunderbarer Weiſe befreit wieder nach Haus kam. Im Gefängniß hab ich ein Lied darüber gemacht, das ich hierher ſetzen will.

Ein geiſtlich Lied

(Der Erzähler theilt dieſes Gedicht ſo mit, wie es ihm vor liegt, ohne daß er, wie bei der Lebensbeſchreibung. Stil und Orthographic ändert.)

von dem
Joſt Crayerbühl aus der Gemeinde Zäziwyl in der Schweiß, ſo den 15 Tag Lenzimonat anno domini 1671 wunderlicher Weiſe aus der Gefängnuß iſt befreit worden.

In der Melody: Warum betrübſt du dich mein Herz:

1) Was wend wir aber haben an zu ſingen von einen alten Mann, der war von Crayenbühl, er ward genannt auch Crayenbühl, aus der Gemeinde Zäziwyl.

2) Da biß der lieb Gott zu thät lan, daß er wird hart geklaget an, wohl um den Glouben ſeyn, da hat man ihn gefangen hart, führt ihn gern Bern wohl in die Stadt.

3) Und da er nun gefangen ward, gephugt und gemartert hart, wohl um Jhn Glouben ſchon, jedoch war er beXändig g'ſeyn, in ſeinem Marter, Angſt und Pein.

4) An einem Freytag, thund mich verſtahn, thätend die G'lehrten zu ihm gahn, wohl in die G'fangenſchaft, fiengen zu diſputiren an, er ſoll von ſein'm Glouben abſtahn.

5) Der Crayenbühler auf der Stätt, ſie über diſpitiren hät, da ſpach er bald zu ihn, von meinem Glouben thun ich nichtſtahn, eh will ich Leib und Leben lohn.

6) Und da es an dem Samſtag war die G'lehrten giengend aber dar, redend ihm heftig zu, du muſt von deinem Glouben ſtahn, oder man wird dir dein Haupt abſchlan.

7) Gar bald er ihn zur Antwort gab, Ich ſteh nit von mein'm Glouben ab, ich halt ihn feſtiglich, dann mein Gloube iſt vor Gott ſo gut, er wird mich han in Schirm und Hut.

8) Und wie es ward am Samſtag zu Nacht, ein Engel Gottes kam mit Macht, zum Crayenbühler hin. Sprach: Gott hat mich zu dir geſandt, zu tröſten dich in dein'm Elend.

9) Weiters thu ich dir zeigen an, von deinem Gloub thu du nichtſtahn, darauf bleib ſteif und veſt, dyn Gloub iſt vor Gott ſo gut, er halt dyn Seel in guter Hut.

10) Ob man dir ſchon wird dräwen hart, man wöll dich richten mit dem Schwerd, erſchrick du nicht darob. ich wöll an deiner Seite ſtahn, ſie werden es ſchcon bleiben lahn.

11) Und da es an dem Montag war, die G'lehrten kamend nochmal dar zum Crayenbühler hin, fiengend mit ihm zu reden an, er ſoll von ſeinem Glouben ſtahn.

12) Wo nicht, ſagten ſie als ihr G'bot; morgen muſt du leiden den Tod, der Crayenbühler ſprach: eh ich von meinen Glouben ſtahn, eh laß ich mir myn Haupt abſchlahn.

13) Ins Wirths Haus führt man ihn fürwahr, man ſtellt ihm Eſſen und Trinken dar, den Heucker neben ihm, daß er ſoll in ein Grauſſen kon und noch von ſeinem Glouben ſtahn.

14) Und da das Sahl nun hatt ein End, man wollt ihm binden ſeine Händ, der Crayenbühler ſprach: Ich bitt euch, Meiſter Lorentz ſchon, ihr wöllt mich ungebunden lohn.

15) Hiemit fiel er auf ſeine Knye, ein Unſer Vatter oder zwey, da er gebetten hat, mein Sach iſt jetz geſetzt zu Gott, er wöll mich retten in der Noth.

16) Da iſt ein Engel abe kon und hat ihn bei ſeiner Hand gnon, ſein Kleid war eital Licht. Die Lüte hatten Angſtund Graus, den Täuffer führt er in ſyn Haus.

17) Da ſprachend alle Herre ſchon, das iſt nach Gottes Willen gon und forchteten ſich ſehr. Sprachen, hätte wir ihn ruhig lahn, es würd uns ewig wohl ergahn.

18) Vorbey war jetz die Marterpein, er lebt dem thüren Glouben ſehn,fort unverandert ſteif. Gott nehm ihn z'letzt aus aller Qual hinauf zu ſich in's Himmels Saal.

19) Der uns diß Lieblein hat gemacht, der war um's Leben in G'fangenſchaft, ein Sohn vom Crahenbühl, ein Herr ihm Federn und Dinten bracht. Gott ſchenk uns Ruh zu guter Nacht.

Viele rüſteten ſich nun zur Auſwanderung. Auch wir verkauften unſer Gut, den Crahenbühl, bekamen aber nicht viel dafür. Wir waren drei Brüder: Michel, Joſt und ich, der Peter. Wir theilten das wenige, das wir unſer nennten. Es that uns ſehr wehe, als wir das väterliche Haus, die Heimath verlaſſen mußten. Lange ſtanden wir noch auf der Anhähe vor dem Dorfe und ſchauten zurück. Ich meinte damals, das Herz müſſe mir brechen vor unſäglichen Weh. Jetzt erſt mußte ich, wie ſchön es in meiner Heimath war. Da lag mein Vaterhaus, ſo ſtill und friedlich; rings dehuten ſich die Fluren aus, die wir im Schweiße unſers Angeſichts bebaut hatten, weiterhin lag der Friedhof, wo unſre l. Eltern dem Auferſtehungsmorgen entgegenſchlummern, und im Hintergrunde erhoben ſich die Alpen mit ewigen Schnee. Aehnlich war es veilleicht auch Abraham ſu Muthe, als der Herr zu ihm ſprach: „Gehe aus deinem Volk und aus deiner Freundſchaft.“ Auf ihn, den Gott Abraham's vertraute auch ich, denn in meinem Herzen klang es auch weiter: „in ein Land, das ich dir zeigen werde.“ Dieſen uns noch unbekannten Lande wanderten wir getroſt entgegen. Ich muß es bekennen, ich durfte die Gnade unſers Gottes reichlich erfahren. Ich konnte, wenn auch in großer Schwachheit, mit dem Apoſtel ſprechen: „Wir haben allenthalben Trübſal, aber wir ängſten uns nicht. Uns iſt bange, aber wir verzagen nicht. Wir leiden Verfolgung, aber wir werden nicht verlaſſen. Wir werden unterdrückt, aber wir kommen nicht um.“ (2 Cor. 4. v. 8. 9.)

„Ich will euch doch,“ ſagte der Großvater, indem er das andre Papier vom Tiſche nahm, das Gedicht vorleſen, in welchem ein Enkel Peter Krehbiel's Abſchied von der Heimath beſingt.

Lebt wohl ihr Alpen, ihr geliebten Gauen,
Du heimathliches Dorf im ſtillen Thal!
Euch traute Fluren wird ein andrer bauen;
O Vaterhauſ, dich werd' ich nie mehr ſchauen,
Behüt' dich Gott! Lebt wohl zum letzten Mal!

Sieh', wie ſo freundlich dort herüber grüßen,
Erglühend in der Sonne erſtem Strahl,
Die ſchneebedeckten, ernſten, eruſten Felſenrieſen;
Die hehre Jungfrau, Eiger, Möuch und Rieſen:
Sie grüßen mich zum letzten, letzten Mal.

Lebt wohl ihr Thäler, mit den Felſenwänden,
Die auf zum Himmel ſtreben, ernſt und kahl,
Die ihre Bäche hoch von oben denden,
Daß ſie zerſtäubend in der Tiefe enden:
Auch euch ſah ich zum letzten, letzten Mal.

Euch gelten heut nicht minder meine Thränen,
Ihr waldumkränzten Seen, ſo blank wie Stahl;
Wo wir geſangesfroh in leichten Kähnen,
Die Fläche kräuſeland furchten gleich den Schwänen:
Ich fuhr auf euch zum letzten, letzten Mal.

Dort auf den Matten ſah ich menter ſpringen
Der wohlgenährten Kinder große Zahl.
Hörſt du das Alpenhorn her,der klingen?
Hörſt du die Sennen luſtig Jodler ſingen?
Ich hör' ſie ach! zum ltzten, letzten Mal.

O Vaterhaus, ihr heiß geliebten Räume,
Wo ich empfand des Lebens Luſt und Qual,
Leb wohl, leb wohl im Schatten deiner Bäume!
Es bricht das Herz mir, wenn ich länger ſäume,
O lebe wohl zum letzten, letzten Mal.

Noch einen Blick nach meiner Eltern Grabe,
Dort unter'm friſch bekränzten Todtenpfahl,
Wo ich verfolgt ſo oft gebetet habe!
Hetzt greif ich ſchmerzerfüllt zum Wanderſtabe
Und grüß dich noch zum letzten, letzten Mal.

Und ihr, die mich verfolgt mit Wuth und Schnauben,
In deß ich euch der Gnad' des Herrn empfal,
Meint ihr, ich ließ mir meinen theuren Glauben
An meinen Herrn und Heiland jemals rauben?
Lebt ihr auch alle wohl zum letzten Mal.
Nehmt alles hin! nur laßt mir meinen Heiland!
Die Erdengüter ſind ja öd und ſchal.
Im Elend bin ich glücklicher als weiland,
Brauſt rings die Fluth, ich bin auf ſichrem Eiland.

So ſelig fühl ich es zum erſten Mal.

So lebt denn alle wohl! ich muß jetzt ſcheiden,
Lebt wohl! Es bleibt mir keine andre Wahl.

Der Herr iſt ja mein Hirt, er wird mich weiden
Auf grüner Au. er bringt, wenn auch durch Leiden,
Mich doch dereinſt zu ſeinem Abendmahl.

Es war ein trauriger Zugü Wir waren ungefähr 700 Perſonen, darunter Familien mit 10 bis 12 Kindern. So lange wir im Bernergebiet waren, wurden wir verſpottet und verhöhmt uaf unſrem Wege. Beſſer ging es uns als wir im Juragebirg im Biſthum Baſel waren. Im Münſterthale waren die Leute freundlich gegen uns, man gab uns zu eſſen und zu trinken und ſuchte unſre traurige Lage zu erleichten. Hier fanden einige ſchon eine neue Heimath. Wir andern zogen das Birſthal hinunter bis Baſel. Von da gingen unſre Wege auseinander. einige zogen durch Frankreich, um ſich nach Amerika einzuſchiffen; andre fuhren den Rhein abwärts nach den Niederlanden, wo viele unſrer Glaubensgenoſſen wohnen, die ſich unſer damals in Liebe annahmen. Wieder andre gingen in das Elſaß und nach der Kurpfalz; Auch wir Brüder trennten uns in Baſel; Mein Bruder Michel ſchloß ſich dem Zuge nach Amerika an; bei dem befand ſich ſeine Braut und deren Eltern. Ich habe ſeither niemehr etwas von ihm gehört. Gott hab ihm ſelig, wenn er nicht mehr lebt! Mein jüngſter Bruder Joſt und ich wollten nach der Kurpfalz. Wir hatten gehört, daß der Kurfürſt Karl Ludwig gerne ſchweizeriſche Einwanderer aufnähme. Wir machten uns alſo dahin auf den Weg in der Hoffnung, dort eine neue Heimath zu finden. Je weiter wir ins Elſaß kamen, ſeſto trüber wurde uns zu Muthe. Ach, wie ſah es da überall aus, ganz anders als in der Schweiß. Dort ſahen wir ſchöne Dörfer und wogende Getreiderfelder. Behanglich lag das fette Rind im ſaftigen Graſe und die Leute verrichteten fröhlich ihr Tagewerk. Hier aber lagen ganze Dörfer in Trümmer; Unkraut war darüber gewachſen. Die Felder waren zum Theil noch mit Dornen und Hecken bedeckt. Es ſah traurig aus, das waren alles noch die Spuren von dem großen Kriege. Wölfe ſahen wir auch genug. Zwei oder drei dieſer Beſtien haben wir mit unſren Knütteln todgeſchlagen. Das Elend während des Krieges muß furchtbar geweſen ſein. Die Leute haben viel devon erzählt. Der Spanier und der Schwed und andres Kriegswölk wäre im Lande geweſen, dann ein großes Sterben und eine außerordentliche Hungersnoth. Sie hätten mit Wurzeln, Gras und Baumblättern ihren Hunger geſtillt. Verlaufene Soldaten hätten auf den Straßen Nauberei getrieben und Marodebrüder aus Mord ein Geſchäft gemacht. Ja der Bekannte hätte den Bekannten gemordet, um ihn gierig aufzuſpeißen. Ein Pfarrer in der Pfalz erzähle mir, er habe geſehen, wie ſich an einen gefallenen Pferde zugleich Meuſchen, Hunde und Raben geſättigt hatten. 9/10 (Häuſſer ſagt ſogar in ſeiner trefflichen Geſchichte von der Pfalz, Band 11 Seite 583: „Die Verbolkerung war auf ein Fünzzigtheil herabgeſunken.“) von der Verbölkerung der Pfalz ſei ſurch Mord, Peſt und Hungersnoth umgekommen und das früher ſo ſchöne pfälziſche Ländchen habe einem verödeten Kirchhof gelichen. —

„Ach, du allmächtiger, ewige Gott bewahre uns.“

Der Großvater faltete das Papier ſorgfältig zuſammen, indem er hinzu fügte: „ja bewahr uns vor ſolchen Zeiten, du lieber Gott!“

„Iſt denn die Geſchichte ſchon aus,“ fragte Heinrich, „hat dein Großvater ſein Leben nicht weiter beſchreiben.“

„Ja“, entgegnete der Gefragte, „er hat noch mehr geſchrieben, aber das iſt im Kriege verloren gegangen.“

„In welchem Kriege?“ riefen die Kinder zugleich, „erzähl uns noch weiter.“

„Ihr ſeht Kinder, der Großvater iſt müde und für euch iſt es Zeit, ins Bett zu gehen,“ mahnte die Mutter, „veilleicht erzählt er euch morgen weiter.“

„Ja, ſo Gott will und wir leben, will ich's thun,“ ſagte der Großvater.

Der Vater erhob ſich, nahm die große Biblia vom Eckſchränkchen und Johann Arnſt's Wahres Chriſtenthum und las aus jeden; einen Abſchnitt vor, dem alle andächtig zuhörten.

Der Herr ist
mein Hirte,
Ps. 23:1

SWITZERLAND

by Amos B. Hoover

Long ago a young Mennonite boy wrote the following hymn, after he was driven from his homeland. Many of our forefathers moved from their homes in Switzerland to South Germany and lived there for a generation or two before coming to America. Today we seldom give it a thought what it meant to move with a large family. In about 1681 a party of about 700 moved at one time. An ancient account describes them, "While traveling through the Canton of Bern, they were grossly mocked, but when they came into the Jura some took them in and treated them more kindly. Some of the party made their homes there while others went farther."

Among this group of immediate ancestors was the Peter Greybill family who settled in Weirhof, Germany in 1682. They were the first Mennonites in that villiage. A grandson of Peter's, probably a teenage youth took a pen in hand and wrote a song of what this departure from the homeland meant to him. It is written in beautiful German poetry.

Following is an English translation:

1.
Farewell ye Alps, ye fair and pleasant hill,
My native village in the quiet dell.
Your faithful fields another now will till,
My father's house no more I'll see at will,
May God be with you now, as I must bid farewell.

2.
Behold how pleasant is the sun's warm glow,
When greeted by its first beams from on high.
Great mountain peaks all covered o'er with snow,
As Jungfrau, Eiger, Moench, and Niesen. Oh
Think for the last, last time, we'll have to say goodbye.

3.
Farewell ye vallies, edged with stones so bleak,
Pointing to Heaven; so serene and bare.
Sending their streams down from their highest peak,
To depths below where clouds of mist forth streak,
And for the last, last time, I see this beauty rare.

4.
My teardrops start as now I think of you,
You calm, calm lakes enwreathed with stately trees.
On you we sang and rowed our small canoe,
Past graceful swans who stirred your waters blue,
But for the last, last time, your waters forded me.

5.
On high plateaus, I saw them leap with glee,
Herds of young kine, well nourished as they grazed.
Hark! do you hear the Alp-horn echo free,
Also the herdsmen yodel merrily?
But for the last, last time, mine eyes on these have gazed.

6.
My father's house with room I loved so well,
In which life's joys and trials we had borne.
Here 'neath thy trees I bid thee sad farewell,
My heart will break if I here longer dwell,
So for the last, last time, my heart from thee is torn.

7.
Once more I glance where my dear parents lay,
Freshly bedecked to mark their earthly tomb.
Threatened by man, I oft come here to pray,
Though now I take my staff and turn away,
Farewell for this last time, as onward I resume.

8.
E'en though your hands have cruelly treated me,
Yet do I hope you will god's grace receive,
For unto Christ I vowed my loyalty,
To this dear faith I'll always loyal be,
So with this last farewell, I will your presence leave.

9.
How precious now my Saviour is to me,
These things of earth no longer satisfy.
To leave these scenes is better now I see
Safe on the Rock, sins' waves will harnless be,
Also for this first time, so bless'd in Him am I.

10.
To all farewell, I now must part from you,
Farewell; for me, there is no other choice
Led on by Christ, who is my shepherd true,
Through trials sore, into green pastures new,
Then home to His reward, forever to rejoice.

translated by Amos B. Hoover
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MOTHER OF NINE DIED AT FAMILY CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mrs. Mary S., 47, wife of Levi K. Zook of Gap R1, Pa. died at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, December 18. Mary, with her husband and family were attending a Family Christmas Dinner at her brother John's home at Ronks R1. She had not felt well Friday evening but slept well during the night and felt able to go. She did not feel like eating dinner but went to lie down instead. When gifts were being exchanged she again joined the group when suddenly she fell off her chair dead.

(see obituary)

PA. MAN INJURED AS HORSE BOLTS

David B. King, aged 44, of 2529 Horseshoe Rd., Lancaster, Pa. was hit by a car Friday evening, Dec. 17. He was going home from Brownstown Bank at about 7:30 when some boys were hitchhiking and scared the horse. He bolted over in front of an oncomint car which hit the horse head on. He continued about 20 feet then dropped over dead. The buggy was demolished and David was thrown free from the wreckage. He was admitted to Lancaster General Hospital in serious condition. He was in a semi-conscious state with a fractured skull, his right hip broken, and his left leg fractured below the knee. His broken leg will have to be put in cast before he goes home, and he will have to lie on his back for three months. His wife is the former Ada King and they have eleven children all at home.

YOUTH SERIOUS AFTER MISHAP

Elmer B., 16, son of Levi and Lizzie (Beiler) Zook, of Quarryville R1, remained in serious condition at General Hospital, Lancaster, Pa. Monday, Dec. 27 from injuries suffered when the horse and buggy he was driving was struck by a car on Route 222 and Old Road in New Providence Sunday about 11 p.m.

HARNESS MAKER DIED FROM HEART ATTACK

Ray E. Weaver, 45, of R2, Apple Creek, Ohio was dead on arrival Tuesday, November 30 ar the Wooster Community Hospital after suffering a heart attack at home. A native of Holmes County and a son of the late Emery and Sara (Yoder) Weaver, he was a harness maker and resided in Centre Co., Pa. before returning to the Apple Creek area several years ago.

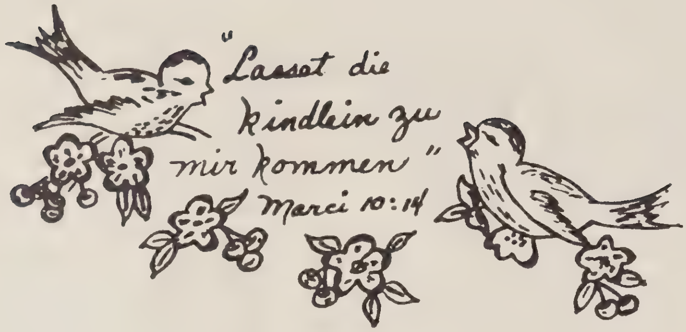
(see obituary)

EXPLOSION CAUSES SEVERE BURNS

Benuel H. King, aged 27, Gridley Rd., Lancaster, Pa. was burned severely from an explosion at the Lancaster Silo plant. He spent 10 days at the Osteo. Hospital suffering first and second degree burns on his arms, legs and face. They had put a spare heater into their new office the evening before. Wednesday morning, December 22 the gas line was turned on with the intention of lighting it right away, instead the phone rang. In the meanwhile the men came to work and Benuel started for the office with a gas lantern. He opened the door to enter causing the fumes from a leak somewhere to explode and throw him 10 to 12 ft. The fire company was called but there were no flames. The walls were pushed out a few inches and the door broke in pieces.

MO. MAN KICKED BY HORSE

Henry L. Beechy, aged 26, of Jamesport, Missouri had the misfortune of being kicked in the abdomen by a horse when he wanted to put him out of a box stall, Friday morning, December 17. He was taken to Dr. Baily clinic in Jamesport and was in serious condition the first week, with a ruptured liver, which caused him to bleed internally. He is improving slowly but satisfactorily at this date, Dec. 31, but needs to lie quietly as much as possible. His wife is Laura, dau. of Ezra Millers of Guthrie, Kentucky.


"Lasset die Kindlein zu mir kommen"
Marci 10:14

BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

ALLGYER, Aaron (Linda KingL Gordonville R1
a daughter ESTHER MAE, November 21

BEILER, Isaac (Rebecca King) Quarryville R3
a son LEVI, December 3

BEILER, Isaac S. (Fannie Riehl) New Holland R2
a son DANIEL LEE, December 16

BEILER, Steven F. (Malinda Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1
a daughter KATIE, December 3

EBERSOL, Isaiah (Melinda R. King) Leola R1
a son AMOS K., December 27

ESH, Daniel (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Spring City, Pa.
a daughter LYDIA S., December 27

ESH, Michael S. (Sadie K. Miller) Strasburg R1
a son ELMER M., December 29

FISHER, Benuel S. (Fannie F. Blank) Strasburg R1
a son MERVIN LEE. December 25

FISHER, Menno E. (Mary Z. Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1
a son PAUL A., December 29

GLICK, Gideon S. (Lizzie K. Esh) Leola R1
a son JACOB E., December 10

KING, Aaron (Susan Schwartz) Gordonville R1
a daughter MARYANN, December 22

KING, Gideon K. (Barbara S. Glick) Gap R1
a son ELAM G., December 28

KING, John E. (Miriam S. Stoltzfus) Honey Brook R2
a daughter KATIE S., December 20

LAPP, David B. (Arie K. Swarey) Gordonville R1
a daughter SALINA, December 6

PETERSHEIM, Christ U. (Rachel E. Riehl) 2457
Horseshoe Rd., Lancaster, a dau EMMA R., Dec. 27

PETERSHEIM, Stephen M. (Mary E. Riehl) Narvon R2
a son JACOB M., December 10

SMOKER, Amos S. (Lydia Petersheim) Gordonville R1
a daughter MARY JANE, December 18

SMUCKER, David S. (Emma Stoltzfus) East Earl R1
a son STEVIE S., December 22

STOLTZFOOS, Paul B. (Anna Lapp) New Holland R2
a daughter MARY ANN, November 28

STOLTZFOOS, Samuel K. (Arie S. Stoltzfus) Christiana
R1, a daughter SADIE S., December 30

STOLTZFUS, Daniel (Annie Fisher) Fairview Rd.,
Lititz, a son AMOS, December 8

STOLTZFUS, Daniel M. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Elverson
a son SAMUEL K., December 30

STOLTZFUS, Eli (Mima Stoltzfus) Gap R1
a daughter NAOMI LYN, December 31

STOLTZFUS, Jacob S. (Annie S. King) Elverson R1
a son MATTHEW K., December 20

STOLTZFUS, Samuel A. (Rachel King) Gordonville R1
a daughter REBECCA ANN, December 23

STOLTZFUS, Samuel S. (Katie S. Lapp) Gordonville R1
a daughter MARY, December 18

ZOOK, Amos E. (Annie F. Zook) Ephrata R2
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ZOOK, David S. Jr. (Elizabeth K. Esh) New Holland R1
a son HENRY E., December 19

ZOOK, Gideon (Mary Fisher) Gap R1
a daughter ROSANNE MARIE, December 26

ZOOK, Wilmer (Esther Mae Stoltzfus) Narvon R1
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Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

SWAREY, Crist (Rachel Peachey) Belleville
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YODER, Pre. Kore N. (Elizabeth Swarey) Allensville
a son ALVIN, December 12

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

BEACHY, David N. (Effie Yoder) Salisbury R1
a son ALBERT, December 8

BRENNEMAN, Jonas M. (Salina Kinsinger) Grantsville
Md. R1, a daughter NANCY, December 4

FISHER, Amos L. (Lydia Zook) Salisbury R1
a daughter ELSIE, December 25

KINSINGER, Roy H. (Susie Hershberger) Meyersdale R1
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YODER, Noah B. (Fannie Brenneman) Grantsville R1,
Md., a daughter RUTH, December 19

St. Mary's County, Maryland

HERTZLER, Ben (Lydia Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville R2
a daughter EMMA, December 27

HERTZLER, Sammie (Hannah Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville
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STOLTZFUS, Stephen (Sadie Kurtz) Mechanicsville
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KAUFMAN, Ben (Paulene Otto)
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a daughter MATTIE, December 26
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a son ORLIE, November 27

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HERSHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace, Bronson R2
a daughter ANNA, November 3

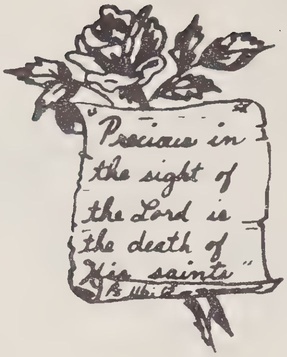
Aylmer, Ontario, Canada

EICHER, LeRoy (Sarah Troyer)
a son SAMUEL, December 4

OHIO SCHOOL HOUSE BURNED

Damage was estimated at $2,500 to the building and $1,000 to the contents, in a fire Friday at Anderson's School northeast of Apple Creek on Twp. Rd. 158 east of County Rd. 94A. The fire was the result of arson.

Der Herr ist
mein Hirte,
Ps. 23:1


"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints"

OBITUARIES

Burkholder, Jonas E., 76, of Millersburg R4, Ohio

died of a heart ailment Thursday afternoon, Dec. 2 in his residence. He had been ill for three months. He was born in Geauga County, a son of the late Eli M. and Mary (Coblentz) Burkholder. Surviving are his widow, the former Fannie Miller; five daughters, Mrs. Levi A. (Emma) Miller of R4 and Mrs. Dan L. (Fannie) Miller of R5, Millersburg, Mrs. Levi J.D. (Ada) Miller of R1, Dundee, Mrs. Christ J. (Esther) Yoder of R1, Baltic and Mrs. Atlee J. (Katie) Troyer of RD#2, Fredericksburg; seven sons, Dan J. of R1, Baltic, Paul J., Eli J. and Jonas Jr. of R5, Millersburg, Ura J. of R2 Sugarcreek, John J. of R2 Dundee, and Roy J. of the home; three sisters, Mrs. Eli R. (Lovina) Miller of Goshen, Ind., Mrs. Henry B. (Amanda) Mullet of Milton, Iowa, and Mrs. John M. (Clara) Miller of Middlefield, Ohio; three brothers, Mose E., Dan E., and Eli E., of Middlefield; 60 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Three sisters and a brother preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Abe M. Miller; burial was in the Burkholder family cemetery in Berlin Township.

Girod, Mrs. Ben S., 42, Monroe R1, Indiana

died at 11:40 a.m. Friday, December 31, at the Adams County Memorial Hospital. She had been ill three weeks and death was attributed to a blood clot of the brain. She was born November 29, 1929 a dau. of Jacob D. and Elizabeth (Wengerd) Wickey. She was married to Ben S. Girod in 1951. Surviving are the husband and twelve children, Jacob, Emma, Sam, Elizabeth, Eli, Ernest, Ben, David, Jerry, Melinda, Aden, and Amos all at home; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob D. Wickey, Berne R1; and the following brothers and sisters, Amos, Solomon, and Jerry Wickey, Berne R1; David and Jacob Wickey, Geneva R1; Mrs. Joe (Rebecca) Girod, Berne R1; Mrs. Dan C. (Mary) Schwartz, Geneva R2; Mrs. Sam (Elizabeth) Schwartz, Bowling Green, Mo.; Mrs. Dan (Frances) Gingerich, Berne R2; and Mrs. Alvin (Emma) Lambright, Berne R2.

Funeral services were held at the homes of Emanuel Schmidts, Samuel Wickeys, and at the Girod home. Burial was in the Schwartz Cemetery.

Kaufman, Jake A., 84, of Arthur, Illinois

died December 28. He was born March 16, 1887 and died at the age of 84 yr., 9 mo., 12 days. He was ailing some for the last few years, had several strokes and was confined part time to the house and wheel chair. He was married to Fannie, daughter of Eli and Martha (Chupp) Stutzman, March 17, 1907. She died December 2, 1956. To this union were born three daughters and four sons. There are 25 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held by Louis Hostetler from Indiana and Bishop Dan A. Miller.

Kaufman, Samuel A.,77, of Arthur, Illinois

died December 23. He was born July 7, 1894 and died at the age of 77 yr., 4 mo., 23 days. Cause of death was cancer of the face. Twenty two years ago he made a trip to Texas taking treatment for skin cancer on the left cheek. In later years his left eye was removed. As time went on he had several radium treatments to stop it from bleeding and had several blood transfusions. He seemed to bear his lot very patiently.

He was married to Fannie, daughter of Gideon and Lizzie (Stutzman) Miller, September 23, 1915. She died October 22, 1937. To this union were born six sons and four daughters. Sam married second time to Susie, daughter of M. L. and Katie (Yoder) Miller, February 20, 1941. She died July 28, 1969.

Funeral services were held by Pre. Andrew Schrock and Pre. Amos Miller.

Miller, Eli J. E., 72, of Millersburg R4, Ohio

died Saturday afternoon, December 25 at his home after a one-year illness. He was born in Holmes Co. a son of the late Jacob E. and Sarah (Troyer) Miller. He is survived by his wife, Mattie (Hostetler) Miller; four sons, Freeman and Manelius of Millersburg R4, Christ of Sugarcreek R2 and Jacob of Sugarcreek R1; two daughters, Mrs. Henry (Elsie) Beechy of Sugarcreek R1, and Mrs. Monroe (Katie) Troyer of Sugarcreek R1; two brothers, Alvin of Sugarcreek R2 and Mose of Millersburg R4; a sister, Mrs. Eli (Abbie) Troyer of Millersburg R4; and 26 grandchildren. A grandchild, a brother and five sisters died previously.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Andrew J. Yoder and Andrew Hershberger; burial was in the Christ Miller Cemetery.

Miller, Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas E. Miller,
of LaGrange R1, Indiana

died Friday, December 3 three hours after birth in the LaGrange County Hospital. Surviving with the parents are two brothers, Lonnie Jay and Perry J., a sister, Leona J., all at home; his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Millie Miller of LaGrange R1, and the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. David Fry of Topeka R2.

Funeral services were held by Ervin Miller; burial was in the Miller Cemetery south west of LaGrange.

Miller, Jonas A., 73, of Dundee R2. Ohio

died Wednesday morning, December 1 in Pomerene Hospital, Millersburg, after a short illness. He was born in Holmes Co., a son of the late Andrew D. and Susanna (Weaver) Miller. His wife, the former Anna Beachy, died in 1963. Surviving are 3 sons, Andrew J. A. of R1, Dundee, Mose J. A. of R2, Dundee and Monroe J. of the home; six daughters, Mrs. Dan S. (Amanda) Hershberger, Mrs. Perry A. (Sarah) Stutzman Mrs. Mose J. (Ella) Miller, Mrs. Levi A. (Ida) Stutzman and Mrs. Mike O. (Anna) Yoder of R5, Millersburg, and Mrs. Abe M. (Susan) Schlabach of Crossville, Tenn.; 60 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, 1 son, 1 dau. 8 grandchildren, 1 brother and 1 sister.

Funeral services were held by Roy L. Schlabach; burial was in the Miller Cemetery, Walnut Creek Twp.

Miller, Newton W., 61, of Topeka R2, Indiana

died Sunday, December 26, at 1 a.m. in the LaGrange County Hospital following an illness of several years. He was born June 9, 1910, and was married in Arthur, Ill., October 3, 1961, to Katie B. Yoder, who survives. Miller had resided the last 33 years near Topeka where he ran a repair shop. Surviving are his wife and three sisters, Mrs. Ezra Miller of Guthrie, Ky., Mrs. Levi Otto and Mrs. Menno Lambright, both of Goshen, and a brother, Roy W. of Ligonier.

Funeral services were held by David Nissley; burial was in the Hawpatch Cemetery.

Mullet, Ervin J., 75, of Sugarcreek R1, Ohio

died of an apparent heart attack Friday, Dec. 10, at noon in his home. Born in Holmes County, he was a son of the late John J. and Sarah (Troyer) Mullet. His first wife, the former Mattie Schlabach, died in 1944. His widow is the former Mary Ann Yoder. Also surviving are 5 daughters and 2 sons, Mrs. Raymond J. (Clara) Barkman, Jonas E. and Mahlon E. of R2 Sugarcreek, and Mrs. Joni A. (Sarah) Troyer and Mrs. Alvin B. (Minerva) Troyer or R1, Sugarcreek, Mrs. John M. (Mary Emma) Hershberger of Holmesville, Mrs. Henry D. (Anna) Troyer of R1, Baltic; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Andy J. K. (Clara) Yoder of RD#1, Baltic, and Mrs. Dan J. (Sarah) Troyer of R1, Sugarcreek; four stepsons, Joas J. Yoder of Sarasota, Fla., Henry J. Yoder of Wilmot, Ray J. Yoder of R1, Apple Creek and Clarence J. Yoder of R2, New Philadelphia; three brothers, Joas J. and Andrew J. of R1, Sugarcreek, and John J. of R2, Sugarcreek; 44 grandchildren 8 great-grandchildren and 25 step-great-grandchildren. A sister and two brothers are deceased.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Andy N. Troyer; burial was in the Schlabach Cemetery.

Stutzman, Mrs. Jonas J. (Lizzie) of Arthur, Ill.

died December 6 in St. Mary's Hospital, Decatur, Illinois. She was a daughter of the late Samuel and Barbara (Schrock) Beachey. She was born November 6, 1907, married November 26, 1925 to Jonas J. Stutzman. Survivors include her husband, three sisters and three brothers. She was preceded in death by a daughter and two grandchildren.

Weaver, Ray E., 45, of Apple Creek R2, Ohio

died Tuesday, November 30 (see front page). Surviving are his widow, Anna (Hostetler) Weaver; three sons and two daughters, Paul, Ray, John and Ella of the home and Mary of Madisonburg, Pa.; two brothers and four sisters, Andy Weaver of Smicksburg, Pa., John E., Mrs. Joe J. Miller and Mrs. Eli D. Yoder of R1, Apple Creek, Mrs. Eli J. Raber of R1, Dundee and Mrs. Marvin J. Keim of R2, Orrville.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Roman Troyer; burial was in the Simon Yoder Cemetery.

Yoder, Bishop John A. of Welda, Kansas

died at the age of 92 years. He was born Oct. 9, 1879. Funeral services were held December 10 in the Min. Jonas B. Yoder home by Bishop Glen Bender of Iowa and Bishop Joe Yoder of Ohio, Bishop Jerry Yoder read the obituary. In the small house services were conducted by Min. D. K. Bontrager of Reno Co., Kansas and Bishop Mose Yoder of Nappanee, Indiana.

Yoder, Joseph L. 89, of Mt. Eaton, Ohio

died at Shady Lawn Rest Home in Walnut Creek on December 25. He was born in Tuscarawas County and was a lifelong resident of the Mt. Eaton area. He was married to Fanny C. Yoder who died in September, 1951. He is survived by a son, Dan J. of Apple Creek R1; five daughters, Sarah Yoder, Mrs. Alfred Zehner and Mrs. Galen Wingeier, all of Sugarcreek, Mrs. Eldon Reidenbach and Mrs. Lawrence Reidenbach of Wooster; three brothers, Dan L. of Mercer, Pa., Levi L. and Raymond L. of Sugarcreek; a sister, Mrs. Manelius Miller of Millersburg R1; 26 grandchildren; and 51 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Tobias Byler; burial was in the Hershberger Cemetery.

Zook, Mrs. Mary S., 47, wife of Levi K. Zook, Gap,
R1, Lancaster Co., Pa.

died Saturday Decdmber 18 (see front page). She was born in Leacock Twp., a daughter of the late Abram and Katie (Smucker) Beiler. Survivors include her husband, six sons, Andrew, Levi Jr., Paul, Omar and twins David and Daniel, and three daughters, Miriam, Ruth and Nancy. A son, Raymond, preceded her in death on June 12, 1971. Also surviving are two brothers, John S. Beiler, Ronks R1; and Abram S. Beiler, Gordonville R1, and five sisters, Sadie, wife of Sylvanus King; Rachel, wife of John B. King, Honey Brook R1; Arie, wife of Eli P. Miller, Bird-in-Hand R1; Katie, wife of Andrew Stoltzfus, Oxford R1; and Emma, wife of John King, Kirkwood R1.

Funeral services were held at Levi Fishers Jr. by Amos E. Stoltzfus and Bishop David K. Blank. Burial was in Buena Vista Cemetery where a hymn was read by Bishop Enos Beiler; abshied was by Sam F. Stoltzfus. Her age was 47 yr., 2 mo., and 1 day.

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1971 DECEMBER 1971

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

From the Lancaster, Pa. INTELLIGENCER JOURNAL
January 4, 1972

A Review of the Year's Weather

Fifty three and six tenths inches of rain make 1971 the second wettest in History. The wettest year on the Lancaster, Pa. weather books was 1933 when 56.22 inches of rain fell. Dreary days of soaking rains was just one of the weather highlights of 1971. Another was a remarkably mild Summer with few 90 degree days.

The hottest day of 1971 was July 8, when the mercury peaked at 96. This reading matched the 1970 high. And for the fifth consecutive Summer, the mercury failed to get to 100 degrees.

This was also the eighth Winter in a row that the temperature did not drop to zero. At the beginning of the year bitter cold air settled over the Lancaster area. During one period in late January-early February, daily temperatures averaged 20 degrees or more below normal. But oddly enough, the numbing cold failed to mix with precipitation at the right time to produce heavy snows. For the second consecutive Winter, there was a snow "drought."

Only nine inches of snow was recorded during the normal snow months of January, February and March of 1971. And there were only traces of snow in late November and early December. In 1970, 31½ inches of snow was measured. And that was considered a drought, compared with previous years.

There were only twelve days during June, July, August and September when the mercury hit 90 or better. But then it stayed warm during the last three months of the year, with a Summer-like 82 degrees on November 2.

Heavy rains marked much of the Summer growing season in the Lancaster area during 1971, with the heaviest amounts coming in August. The area was flooded during the record-setting rains of late July and early August. A total 7.7 inches of precipitation fell here in one 5 day period, topping a previous five-day record of 7.4 rainfall total from September 9-13 in 1960. But unlike previous years, there were few severe thunderstorms, with damaging hail and high winds, this past summer.

Submitted by Sara E. Fisher

Lancaster County, Pa. by Levi L. Stoltzfus

The rainfall for the Bareville area for December was 1.4 inches, with mild weather through fall and winter. The week of December 5 it was rainy and cloudy with just one day of sunshine.

Market Report: Choice Fat Cattle sold from $33. to 36.00 Cwt.; Stockers and Feeders sold from 25.50 to 38.50 Cwt.; Choice Veal sold for 60.00 Cwt.; Fat Hogs sold for 22.50 to 25.00 Cwt.; 40 lb. shoats bring 17.99 to 18.00 a head. Christmas week the top Diary Cows at New Holland were sold for a $900.00 average of twenty five head. A Roy Brook Telstar 4 year old springer sold for $1525.00; a fresh Seiling Rockman daughter brought $2100.00. A load of Canadian cows sold from 440.00 to 630.00. Large Eggs, .40; Med., .39 doz.; Fowl prices: Heavy Hen-type, 5 to 18¢ per lb.; Pullets, .28; Ducks, .32; Geese, .27; Turkey Hens, .42; Guineas, .62; Pigeons, 1.00 to 1.15 a pair. Potatoes, 2.00 to 2.50 Cwt.; Hay at Green Dragon sold 27.00 to 10.99 Ton; Straw, 35.00 to 41.00 Ton; Ear Corn, 25.00 to 33.00 Ton, Bu., 1.35; Wheat, 1.50 Bu.; Barley, 1.95 Bu.; Oats, .85 Bu.

Juniata County, Pa. by David Y. Renno

The weather here during December was quite nice except for a very cold beginning. It was mostly warm and spring-like, with cattle out and farmers plowing and some women digging gardens. Total rainfall was 2.5 inches, no snows all month but enough sleet to cover the ground for a short while.

The year 1971 is now history and has been a good year for the farmers. Prices of farm produce were fair all year, and crops were just fair to good, except hay was excellent. Our little community remained undisturbed from wars, turmoil and dissenting riots, or serious sickness, so we have much to be thankful for.

Fourteen babies were born during 1971, no deaths among our group. One couple moved away, and none noved in. Four of our young members were married this year, and two couples of newly-weds will take up housekeeping here.

We are planning on having sale on March 3rd to sell out stock, machinery and household goods. We will move into a small grosdawdy house and let the young, more active and ambitious generation take over the farm. Come to our sale.

Snyder County, Pa. by Sam M. Troyer

December was warmer than usual. We had around 2¾ inches of rain and very little snow. Two inches of the rain fell in the first week, eleven degrees above zero was the coldest, on the 2nd. Twice we had quite strong winds. All in all we had a lot of nice weather for working outside.

Mifflin County, Pa. by Catherine Swarey

We had much googy cloudy weather, from the 6th to the 10th, for 5 days it was very foggy, day and night. We couldn't see to the neighbors all day. On December 10 it started clearing and the sun shone a tiny bit at some places. December 11, 12, and 13 were most beautiful days. We had ten very beautiful days in December. There were some snow flurries, but no measurable snow, a couple times enough to slightly cover the ground. Total rainfall was 2.6 in., lowest tempersture, 10 degrees, highest, 80. Some dandelions were seen in bloom and seed heads. A lot of sickness is around, colds, sore throats, swollen glands. Many children and some adults had scarlet rash, some were very sick. Johnny, son of Kore and Sarah (Swarey) Kanagy was hospitalized three days with scarlet rash.

Somerset County, Pa. by Abe S. Kinsinger

December was mostly warm with occasional rain, very little snow. Farmers are getting a lot of fall plowing done. Weather is plenty warm for butchering which is also on the go.

St. Mary's County, Maryland by Amos R. Stoltzfus

This was the mildest December I have ever seen, no snow except for one night. The 17th a cold blast hit around 1:00 that was loaded with snow for an hour or so. Most of December seemed like Spring with some 70 degree temperature, 75 one day, lowest was 22 the morning of the 18th.

Wayne County, Ohio by Ray J. Yoder

The weather was fairly moderate, highest temperature was 58, lowest, 20, just a few sunny days, and 2.5 inches rain. About a week of very high winds, which took off fairly large limbs from trees, and moved a few trailers off their foundations. Farmers are husking corn by machine in the last week. Well, Christmas is over and now is the time to start on that diet again!

Bronson, Michigan by Ora A. Graber

Our weather through November was beautiful, with only two light snows.

Adams County, Indiana by Mary Ann Hilty

December 1971 was an unusually warm and wet month. In fact, the temperature was above freezing every day except two, on the 17th and 18th, when the low was 13 degrees. A total of 5.08 inches of rain fell, more than twice the normal. Snow fall was conspicious by its absence, with only 1.6 inches, all of which melted within a few hours after falling. High for the month was 63 degrees on the 15th. We had 5 clear days, 6 partly cloudy, 20 cloudy days of which 11 were rainy days, and no thunderstorms.

Statistical data for the year of 1971 shows high temperature for the year was 97 on June 28, the low was 8 below zero on January 10; Rainfall totaled 41.6 inches; Snowfall was 21.8 inches. There were 101 clear days, 176 partly cloudy days, and 88 cloudy days. There were 82 rainy days and 24 thunderstorms.

Arthur, Illinois by Menno A. Diener

We had nice showers from the 1st to the 6th, the night of the 9th, heavy wind and rain so that water began to stand in the fields. In the morning of the 10th there were heavy rains and wind in Lovington, 6 miles west of here. The storm uprooted trees, and took out windows in the school house, and in Champaign more damage was done. On December 14 at about 5 a.m. more wind and rain at Charlston, about 35 miles southeast of Arthur, buildings were unroofed, and trees uprooted. In the vicinity of Arthur, one barn was completely demolished, one had half of the roof off, and several small buildings were turned over. December 30 was a very nice and sunshiny day with temperature in upper fifties.

Buchanan County, Iowa by Joe A. Yoder

The month of December was mild and damp in general with rain and snow. We had a nice snow the 30th with good sleighing. The coldest was zero on December 1.

Jamesport, Missouri by Amos W. Yoder

December was quite mild, with mostly cloudy, several foggy, misty and rainy days, but no snow. On Monday, the 27th, the roads were very icy. We also had three or four sunshiny days and several days that the sun shone part time.

Aylmer, Ontario, Canada by LeRoy Eicher

We have some snow on the ground now. Winter hasn't been very severe yet. Occasionally it has dropped below freezing, but most days it was above.

Joseph Gascho is in bed since December 28 from a slipped disc in his back. He is supposed to stay in bed for five weeks.

Haven Kansas by H. E. Borntrager

We had nice weather all summer. Had nice rain about as crops needed it. This fall we had cloudy weather and foggy then again nice sunshine. We had nice snow a few times before Christmas. Wheat was a good crop, 30 to 60 bu. to the acre. Maize crop was good, four to five cuttings; alfalfa made nice hay. Farmers got the wheat sowed and had nice rain to start it growing. Wheat fields look nice and green. Jan. 3, wind in north and snowed about all day. New Year's Day was the big coyote hunt in Anderson Co. at Garnett Ks. A few car loads of Reno Co. hunters went to Anderson Co. for the coyote hunt. They got 21 coyotes but a lot of the smart coyotes got away. Dec. 29 was the coyote hunt here in Reno Co., around Yoder dis. They got 5 coyotes and 1 fox, a few coyotes got away. The jack rabbit crop wasn't so good this year. There are a few cotton tails around and plenty of coons. Our little town of Yoder, Kansas is getting a new Grocery Store. The old store sold out a few years ago. We had a good garden crop, potatoes, tomatoes, strawberries, etc.

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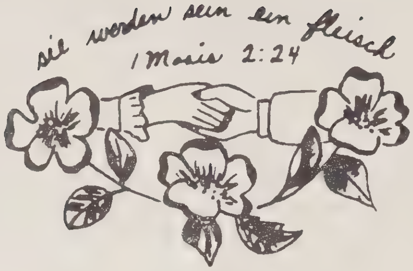
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LANCASTER COUNTY MARRIAGES of 1971

March 1971

Glick, Esh – Benjamin, Leola R1, son of Levi S. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Glick, and Anna Mary, daughter of Samuel S. and Naomi (Smucker) Esh, Gordonville R1

Stoltzfus, Lapp – Widower Christian E. Stoltzfus, Christiana R1, and Miss Mary Lapp, Horseshoe Rd, Lancaster, Pa.

September 16, 1971

Glick, Smucker – Widower Abner R. Glick, Gap R1, and Widow Annie (Beiler) Smucker, Narvon R1

November 2

King, Stoltzfus – John Z., son of Joseph B. and Lydia (Zook) King, Lancaster R4, and Anna H., dau of Christ L. and Mary (King) Stoltzfus, Narvon R2, by Tobias J. Slabaugh Jr.

Stoltzfus, Flaud – Omar Z., son of Paul A. and Annie (Zook) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, and Sara Katherine, daughter of Emanuel J. and the late Fannie (Kauffman) Flaud, Bird-in-Hand R.D. #1, by Aaron Y. Beiler

Stoltzfus, Beiler – Aaron F., son of John L. and Sarah M. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Strasburg R1, and Elizabeth L., daughter of Jacob K. and Annie R. (Glick) Beiler, Gap R1, by John F. Glick

November 4

King, King – Jacob L., son of David B. and Mary (Lapp) King, Paradise R1, and Sadie B., daughter of Christ K. and Katie (Byler) King, Kinzers R1, by David L. Riehl

Stoltzfus, Esh – Amos S., son of Eli S. and Emma (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, and Lydia S., daughter of Levi F. and Annie S. (Smucker) Esh, of Quarryville R3, by Amos S. Lapp

Miller, Blank – Aaron S., son of Elam and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Miller, Leola R1, and Lydia S., daughter of David K. and Malinda S. (Stoltzfus) Blank, Hartman Station Rd., Lancaster, by Levi E. Stoltzfus

Beiler, Stoltzfus – Daniel D., son of Elam K. and Mary S. (Dienner) Beiler, Coatesville R2, and Rebecca S., daughter of Amos M. and Katie Z. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, New Holland R1, by Sylvan F. Stoltzfus

Fisher, Kauffman – Elam L., son of Isaac S. and Fannie K. (Lapp) Fisher, Gordonville R1, and Sadie S., daughter of Daniel P. and Barbara B. (Stoltzfus) Kauffman, Honey Brook R2, by Benjamin S. Lapp

November 9

Esh, Smucker – John M., son of Jacob F. and Rebecca (Kauffman) Esh, Paradise R1, and Sara L., daughter of Elmer and Fannie (Lapp) Smucker, Narvon R1, by Elam P. Kauffman

Stoltzfus, Fisher – Daniel Z., son of Paul A. and Annie Z. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, and Lydia R., daughter of Seth and Annie (Riehl) Fisher, Gordonville R1, by Amos E. King

Glick, King – Benjamin S., son of Aaron J. and Mary (Stoltzfus) Glick, Bird-in-Hand R1, and Lizzie E., daughter of Elam K. and Malinda (Esh) King, of Leola R1, by Aaron Esh

Stoltzfus, Lapp – Jonathan M., son of Jerry S. and Mattie (Miller) Stoltzfus, Leola R1, and Amanda B., daughter of Samuel L. and Barbara (Beiler) Lapp, Ronks R1, by Aaron Y. Beiler

King, Esh – Daniel K., son of John E. and Emma B. (King) King, Paradise R1, and Susie P., daughter of John Z. and Fannie (Petersheim) Esh, Ronks R1, by John M. Beiler

Beiler, Stoltzfus – Amos L., son of Lloyd and Mattie (King) Beiler, Narvon R2, and Salome S., dau of Sylvan F. and Mima Z. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1, by Enos M. Beiler

Zook, Stoltzfus – Samuel F., son of Samuel S. and Elizabeth (Fisher) Zook, Christiana R1, and Lydia B., daughter of Samuel L. and Fannie K. (Blank) Stoltzfus, Christiana R1, by Henry S. Fisher

November 11

Stoltzfus, Esh – Ammon P., son of John M. and Katie B. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Narvon R1, and Sarah L., daughter of Stephen Jr. and Sarah (Lapp) Esh, Gordonville R1, by John L. Stoltzfus

Glick, Kauffman – Benjamin S., son of John S. and Sarah Z. (Stoltzfus) Glick, Quarryville R3, and Sadie E., daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Esh) Kauffman, Christiana R1, by John S. Glick

Riehl, Glick – Jacob S., son of Levi D. and Sallie K. (Stoltzfus) Riehl, Honey Brook R2, and Rebecca S., daughter of Elam S. and Naomi S. (Stoltzfus) Glick, Leola R1, by Elam P. Kauffman

King, Miller – Benjamin G., son of Jacob Z. and Emma E. (Glick) King, Forrey Rd., Lancaster, and Barbara K., daughter of Christian S. and Sarah E. (King) Miller, Paradise R1, by Christian M. Fisher

Swarey, Blank – Ezra J., son of Enos S. and Anna B. (Peachey) Swarey, Mifflintown R2, Pa., and Leah K., daughter of Moses K. and Fannie B. (Kauffman) Blank, Gap R1, by Joshua P. Renno (Mifflin Co.)

Riehl, Stoltzfus – Aquilla S., son of David L. and Sarah S. (Stoltzfus) Riehl, Kirkwood R1 and Hannah S., daughter of Amos M. and Rachel S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, by David L. Riehl

November 16

Miller, Blank – Jacob L., son of John S. and Annie (Lapp) Miller, Bird-in-Hand R1, and Katie E., daughter of Amos S. and Barbara G. (Esh) Blank, Gap R1,
Stoltzfus, Blank – Elam L., son of Menno R. and Emma (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, and Arie E., dau of Amos and Barbara (Esh) Blank, Gap R1, by Levi E. Stoltzfus

Zook, Esh – Moses B., son of Noah S. and Mary (Riehl) Zook, New Holland R1, and Mary B., dau of David Z. and Mary B. (Lapp) Esh, Gordonville R1, by Jonas N. Hershberger

Lapp, Stoltzfus – Benjamin S., son of Amos K. and Mary A. (Fisher) Lapp, Leola R1, and Mary K., daughter of Daniel L. and Lydia (King) Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R1, by Emanuel E. Shrock

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfoos – Joshua S., son of Benjamin and Anna (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, and Emma F., daughter of Jacob S. and Katie (Fisher) Stoltzfoos, Kinzers R1, by David L. Riehl

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus – John M., son of Samuel K. and Mary (Miller) Stoltzfus, Christiana R1, and Barbara S., daughter of Abraham K. and Hannah (Smoker) Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, by Aaron Esh

Esch, Lapp – Benjamin B. Spring City, son of Epjraim J. and Sarah S. (Beiler) Esch, Strasburg R1, and Lavina S., daughter of Christ B. and Rebecca S. (Stoltzfus) Lapp, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Jonas S. Lapp

Lapp, Stoltzfus – Christ P., son of Amos S. and Ruth (Petersheim) Lapp, Bird-in-Hand R1, and Barbara S., daughter of Daniel and Mary (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, by Sylvan F. Stoltzfus

King, Lapp – Benuel K., son of Elizabeth (King) and the late Jonas S. King, Leola R1, and Lena S., daughter of David Y. and Ada M. (Stoltzfus) Lapp, Gordonville R1, by Daniel E. Stoltzfus

November 18

Beiler, Stoltzfus – Emanuel L., son of Samuel U. and Katie (Lapp) Beiler, Gap R1, and Priscilla, dau of Malinda (Fisher) and the late Samuel Z. Stoltzfus, Talmage, by Sylvan F. Stoltzfus

Esh, Stoltzfus – Joseph B., son of Eli P. and Fannie (Blank) Esh, Christiana R1, and Barbara F., daughter of Amos L. and Malinda S. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, by David K. Blank

King, Esh – Moses B., son of Abram K. and Sarah (Beiler) King, Gypsy Hill Rd., Lancaster, and Barbara S., daughter of Jonas K. and Naomi S. (Stoltzfus) Esh, Ronks R1, by Emanuel E. Shrock

King, King – Daniel M., son of Katie S. (Stoltzfus) and the late Daniel E. King, Elverson R2, and Susie S., daughter of Benuel S. and Katie S. (Stoltzfus) King, Honey Brook R2

King, King – Jonas B., son of Katie S. (Stoltzfus) and the late Daniel E. King, Elverson R2, and Priscilla S., daughter of Benuel S. and Katie S. (Stoltzfus) King, Honey Brook R2, by Elam P. Kauffman

Beiler, Beiler – John B., son of Phares and Mary (Beiler) Beiler, Ronks R1, and Rebecca L., daughter of Eli K. and Annie (Lapp) Beiler, New Holland R1, by John M. Beiler

Blank, Lapp – Isaac K., son of Moses K. and Fannie B. (Kauffman) Blank, Gap R1, and Ada M., daughter of John S. and Rebecca (Miller) Lapp, Gap R1, by Gideon M. Stoltzfus

Beiler, Stoltzfus – Enos Z., son of Samuel Y. and Nancy H. (Zook) Beiler, Mechanicsville R2, Md., and Sarah E., daughter of Abram L. and the late Barbara (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, by Aaron Y. Beiler

November 23

King, Beiler – Daniel S., son of Samuel E. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) King, Leola R1, and Elizabeth E., daughter of David L. and Bena S. (Lapp) Beiler, New Holland R1, by Perry Nissley, Indiana

Smucker, Beiler – Benuel M., son of Sarah (Stoltzfus) and the late Amos B. Smucker, Narvon R1, and Lavina S., daughter of Aaron Y. and Lena (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Levi E. Stoltzfus

Kauffman, Lapp – Benuel M., son of Levi P. and Annie Z. (Stoltzfus) Kauffman, Honey Brook R2, and Lydia F., daughter of Amos K. and Mary A. (Fisher) Lapp, Leola R1, by Emanuel E. Shrock

Fisher, Esh – Jacob R., son of Seth and Annie Z. (Riehl) Fisher, Gordonville R1, and Lavina F., dau. of Daniel S. and Susan K. (Fisher) Esh, Gordonville R1, by Amos E. King

Fisher, King – John M., son of Levi Z. and Mary L. (Miller) Fisher, Kirkwood R1, and Katie Z., dau of Daniel M. and Jemima (Zook) King, Leola R1, by Christian M. Fisher

Zook, Fisher – Abner A., son of Amos Z. and Emma (Allgyer) Zook, Gap R1, and Sarah E., dau. of Daniel S. and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Narvon R2, by Gideon M. Stoltzfus

November 25

Stoltzfus, Glick – Christian F., son of John L. and Sarah M. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Strasburg R1, and Nancy K., daughter of Christ R. and Mary F. (King) Glick, Gap R1, by Samuel F. Stoltzfus

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus – Daniel S., son of Daniel F. and Leah S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, and Elizabeth, daughter of Gideon B. and Mary Z. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1, by Sylvan F. Stoltzfus

Esh, King – Stephen L., son of Stephen L. and Sarah L. (Lapp) Esh, Gordonville R1, and Rebecca K., daughter of Levi E. and Rebecca (King) King, Gordonville R1. by Perry Nisley

Stoltzfus, Glick – Daniel S., son of Amos L. and Ada (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R.D. #2, and Rebecca S., daughter of Daniel S. and Barbara F. (Stoltzfus) Glick, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Samuel J. Stoltzfus

Beiler, Zook – Enos L., son of Moses M. and Lizzie K. (Lapp) Beiler, Leola R1, and Sadie B., daughter of John S. and Malinda K. (Beiler) Zook, Kinzers R1, by Enos M. Beiler

King, Stoltzfus – Christian G., son of Eli Z. and Emma S. (Esh) King, Gordonville R1, and Priscilla F., daughter of Jonas K. and Fannie K. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Christiana R1, by Christian M. Fisher

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Esh, Huyard – Jacob D., son of Enos and Emma L. (Stoltzfus) Esh, Gordonville R1, and Anna B., daughter of Elam F. and Sarah B. (Bawell) Huyard, New Holland R1, by Jacob M. Stoltzfus, Centre Co.

Beiler, Fisher – Samuel S., son of Enos M. and Lizzie Z. (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Bird-in-Hand R1, and Sarah F., daughter of Daniel S. and Rachel S. (Fisher) Fisher, Christiana R1, by Enos M. Beiler

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Beiler, Lapp – Amos E., son of Ben R. and Mary (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Kirkwood R1, and Rachel K., dau. of Joseph S. and Annie (King) Lapp, Quarryville R1; Renno, Lapp – Moses K., son of David Y. and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Renno, Mifflintown R2 (Juniata Co., Pa.), and Hannah K., daughter of Joseph S. and Annie (King) Lapp, Quarryville R1, by Joshua P. Renno

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Stoltzfus, King – Benjamin S., son of Stephen and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, and Katie S., daughter of Eli Z. and Emma G. (Esh) King, Gordonville R1, by Levi E. Stoltzfus

December 7

Kauffman, Stoltzfus – Samuel D., Kinzers R1, son of Amos S. and the late Priscilla S. (Stoltzfus) Kauffman, and Mary Ann, daughter of Aaron E. and Malinda L. (King) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Gideon M. Stoltzfus

December 9

Stoltzfus, Smucker – Ivan K., son of Daniel S. and Mary (King) Stoltzfus, Narvon R1, and Mary S., dau. of Sarah B. (Stoltzfus) and the late Amos B. Smucker, Narvon R1, by Jacob M. Stoltzfus

Stoltzfus, Zook – Moses F., son of Christ K. and Emma (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Kinzers R1, and Anna D., daughter of Amos Z. and Emma (Allgyer) Zook, Gap R1, by John F. Glick

December 21

Zook, Stoltzfoos – Amos, son of David and Mary (Lapp) Zook, Paradise R1, and Malinda, daughter of John M. and Malinda (Esh) Stoltzfoos, Ronks R1, by Aaron Y. Beiler

January 6, 1972

Lapp, Riehl – Phares F., son of John K. and Rachel (Fisher) Lapp, Myerstown R2, and Hannah, daughter of Jacob L. and Leah (Stoltzfus) Riehl, Ronks R1, by Aaron Y. Beiler

St. Mary's County, Maryland

Kurtz, Hostetler – Christie, son of Stephen and Frannie Kurtz, and Mollie, daughter of Rufus and Elizabeth Hostetler, by Samuel J. Stoltzfus, Dec. 2

Zook, Hostetler – Ben, son of Daniel and Sarah Zook, and Naomi, daughter of Rufus and Elizabeth Hostetler, by Samuel J. Stoltzfus, December 7

Daviess County, Indiana

Stoll, Yoder – Roman Stoll and Lillie Yoder, by Bishop Levi Graber, December 5

LaGrange County, Indiana

Miller, Mullet – Herman, son of Jonathan D. and Clara (Miller) Miller, and Emma, daughter of Ira and Wilma (Schlabach) Mullet, December 2

Hershberger, Yoder – Mervin, son of Rudy and Polly (Bontrager) Hershberger, and Sue Ellen, dau. of Levi M. and Anna (Schrock) Yoder, December 2

Mast, Miller – John M. Mast (widower) and Amelia (Weaver) Miller (widow) December 5

Christner, Miller – William, son of Christ and Fannie (Schlabach) Christner, and Esther, daughter of O. Vernon and Ada (Eash) Miller, December 9, by Milo J. K. Miller

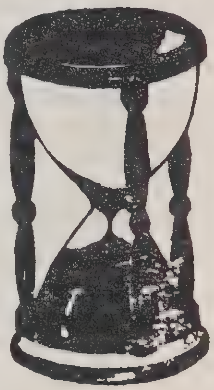
Bontrager, Coblentz – David, son of Eli M. Bontragers, and Ruth, (Elkhart Co.) daughter of Dan Coblentzes, December 16

Yoder, Miller – Leroy, son of Jonas and Ida (Miller) Yoder, and Betty Irene, daughter of Willard Millers, December 23

Arthur, Illinois

Plank, Otto – Elmer, son of Ezra and Alma (Beachey) Plank, and Martha, daughter of Wayne and Lydia (Stutzman) Otto, December 30

The Hour Glass



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Letter from Indiana

Mt. Ayr, Ind., Dec. 14 - On the 18th of Sept. the writer and wife left for the east to visit friends and old acquaintances. We stopped a few weeks in Pa. and Md., we then continued our trip to Fauquir Co., Virginia, and visited the few but good-hearted friends, when we returned to Md. We also stopped 2 days in Washington City, where we saw many wonderful sights, among them the Washington monument, 500 feet high. This is grand to look upon and more grand to look from its dizzy heights upon the wonderful city. After spending another two weeks in Md. we bid adieu to the friends and went to Holmes county, Ohio, where we spent about 4 weeks among friends and found them very kind. Again the sad word of parting had to be said, and we left for LaGrange, Indiana, accompanied by Sarah J. Miller, and found the same good treatment. Here we remained several weeks and then continued our trip homeward, stopping one day in Marshal county, and arrived at home on Dec. 13th, making our trip about three months.

There are quite a number of visitors in this community, among them Jacob and Simon Miller and Noah Helmuth , of Arthur, Illinois.

Respectfully Yours.

E. S. BEACHY & WIFE

From the Northwest

Brewster, Minn. Jan. 9 - We are enjoying good health.

The weather is very fine; a little snow--scarcely enough to track a rabbit--with the mercury registering 20 above zero.

People are busy baling hay and hauling it to market, which sells from five to six dollars per ton.

Next March our wide-awake agent, J. F. Schick, of Arcola, Illinois, will bring about 40 cars of emigrants to Jackson and Martin counties, this state.

We have a very healthy climate here; all those who move to this country become healthier after residing here awhile.

Noah J. Yoder, of Illinois is in our midst and is enjoying himself very much. He intends to go from here to Kansas and Okla. ISAAC SLABAUGH

Letter From Kansas

Haven, Kansas, Dec. 22 - Nice, warm weather, although we had a light snow on the 11th.

Mrs. Joe Hostetler is on the sick list, but is slowly improving.

Peter shrock who had been sick several months, is able to be up.

Henry Lehman, of Elkhart Co., Indiana, arrived here on the 12th, on his way to California. He visited friends here until yesterday, when he continued his trip.

M. K. Yoder, who had been in Oklahoma several months, returned home on last Tuesday.

John A. Yoder, of North Dakota, is in our midst visiting friends, but will start for Emma, Indiana, in the near future.

The market: Wheat, 44¢; oats, 37½¢; corn, 37¢; Hogs, 4¢; butter, 12¢; eggs, 18¢.

I wish you all a happy New Year. COR

Illinois News Items

Brownstown, Illinois, Dec. 20 - Nice weather at present.

Abraham Miller moved on his farm today. His mother will keep house for him.

Ben Y. Miller, of Newton county, Indiana, arrived here on Sunday morning, being on his homeward trip fromOklahoma, Texas, and Arkansas. As he did not find a suitable location in the southwest he has now bought 260 acres of land here, for which he pays $6,400, and moves on it about the first of February.

Yours Truly. Levi S. Troyer

Letter From Kansas

Inman, Kansas, Jan. 11 - Ed. Budget: Find enclosed 50¢ for the renewal of my subscription.

We are having quite a snug winter since Christmas.

Daniel Miller is preparing for some ice cream next summer. The ice is seven inches thick.

John Yoder intends to start for Oklahoma on Feb. 1st, where he intends to make his home.

David Nisley and wife are on the sick list.

H. C. SCHROCK

Letter From Kansas

Partridge, Kansas, Jan. 12 - We have had nice weather until Christmas, when a snow fell nearly six inches deep; since then we have had solid winter weather, although not extremely cold, except one morning when the mercury registered from 10 to 14 below zero. Snow is mostly gone.

D.J. Kauffman and Jacob Troyer are making ready to pull stakes for Fayette county, Ill.

Max Baas and John A. Yoder, emigration agents for the Great Northern R.R., were in our midst, telling the people how good a country North Dakota is. It seems some swallowed bait, hook and all

N. J. Yutzy returned from his trip in the east and thinks Kansas is the place.

We like to read all the correspondence from the readers of the spicy little Budget, providing they sign their name so that we know who we are hearing from. How odd it seems to report a death, or an accident, or anything of importance, and then sign a fictitious name to the letter.

Yours Truly, Noah Helmuth

MICHIGAN NOTES

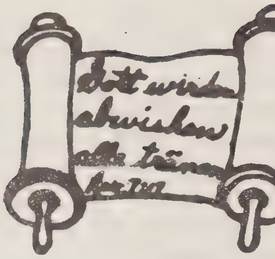
Sturgis, Mich. Jan. 5 - Enclosed you will find $1.00 which please place to my credit of your very interesting paper. I am always glad to have the paper come as I see so many names of my former schoolmates and neighbors, and find them scattered all over the, I am always glad to read from other states, and will say we think we have a very good country, yet times are dull now, and winter is here but no snow in the pineries, north, where hundreds of men are laying idle on this account.

Ice cutting is now in order, it is 8 in. thick and as clear as crystal.

Sturgis is an old town located in the southern part of the state, 3 miles from Indiana line, on the Lake Shore R.R. and a branch road running from Goshen, Ind. to Battle Creek, Mich. It is here where the old Chicago road is located, where the emigrants traveled over before railroads were built.

We have people living here in town, who have citizens here for 60 years. There are a great many Tuscarwas and Holmes Co. people here. Among them are Bollmans, Lehmers, Smelsleys, Bontragers, Yoders, Masts, Longs, and many that I could mention.

I saw a correspondence from Hawthorne, Florida, and signed John Yoder; I am anxious to know where his former home was; no doubt I would know him; hope he will tell in his next where he is from. He spoke about Geo. Smith of Shanesville, and Moses T. Miller, of Berlin. I know both those parties. Another article I saw from Joseph S. Yoder, of Iowa. I wish he would come to the front and tell what Yoder he is; the Yoders are too good stock to lose track of one another. I saw Wm. Miller's name is on your list of subscribers, a cousin of mine. Would like to hear John M. Showalter's pen talk through the Budget; he was one of my former teachers. Also Dr. A.T. Miller, please let me hear from you; explain and fear no doings. Would like to read letters from all my old acquaintances. HENRY J. YODER



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John R. Glick, 26, Quarryville R3, Pa. was ordained minister in the East Quarryville District, on October 21. With him in the lot were Amos Stoltzfus, Moses Glick, John D. Stoltzfus, Roy S. Fisher, Aaron Esh, and Levi L. Beiler

David S. Blank, 35, Gap R1, Pa. was ordained deacon in the Lower Pequea White Horse South District, October 15. With him in the lot were John S. Lapp, B. John Stoltzfus Jacob Beiler, Alvin Lapp, Reuben Allgyer, and John Riehl.

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Samuel E. Stoltzfus and David L. Stoltzfus were ordained ministers in the Lower Pequea White Horse South District, October 15, 1969. With them in the lot were John S. Lapp, B. John Stoltzfus, Stephen Stoltzfus, Jacob Beiler, Amos F. Beiler, Alvin Lapp, David Blank, and Leroy Stoltzfus.

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der Herrlichkeit seines Vaters
Matt. 16:27

MIGRATIONS OF 1971

Homer Grabers moved from Aylmer, Ontario to Marshfield, Missouri on January 26

The Ben G. Lantz family moved from Myerstown, Pa. to Newburg, (Franklin Co.) Pa. on March 6

Andy Masts moved from Aylmer, Ont., to Seymore, Missouri on February 15

Cletus A. Millers moved from Topeka R1, Ind. to Martinsburg, Ohio on February 4

Eli C. Millers moved from Aylmer, Ontario to Milroy, Indiana in June

On April 1, Ezra E. and Ada (Hostetler) Peachey and one child moved on a farm in Juniata Co., Pa. to start farming after finishing his 2 years in IW service in Norristown, Pa. They originate from Belleville.

Mose J. Schlabachs moved from Apple Creek, Ohio to Conneautville, Pa. on January 28

David Yutzys moved from Buchanan Co., Iowa to Bloomfield, Southern Iowa, January 22

Gideon Yutzys moved from Buchanan Co., Iowa to Bloomfield, Southern Iowa, February 19

Henry Yutzys moved from Buchanan Co., Iowa to Bloomfield, Southern Iowa, January 19

Norman Yutzys moved from Buchanan Co., Iowa to Bloomfield, Southern Iowa, January 21

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The calendar we use today was designed by the pope in 1582, and is based on the calendar used by the Romans. But the Roman calendar itself went through many changes because it was constantly leading to confusion.

By the time Julius Caesar appeared he simply had to throw out the old Roman calendar based on the moon (lunar calendar) and adopt a new one based on the fact that the earth revolved around the sun in about 365¼ days (solar calendar). In order to catch up, he ordered that the year 46 B.C. should have 445 days! After that ''year of confusion,'' each year was to have 365 days, except every fourth year. To use up the fraction of a day left over in each ordinary year, the fourth year would be a leap year of 366 days. This system is called the Julian Calendar after Julius Caesar.

But even this calendar wasn't quite exact. The Julian Year was actually about eleven minutes longer than the solar year, or the time for the earth's journey around the sun. Eleven minutes a year seems mighty little but as years and centuries passed, the shortage grew from minutes into hours and then into days!

By the sixteenth century, the Roman Catholic Church decided that the calendar needed to be revised. Easter and other feast days were not coming where they belonged in the seasons. Pope Gregory XIII ordered that 10 days should be dropped from the year 1582. To keep the calendar correct in the future Gregory ordered that leap year should be skipped in the last year of every century unless that year could be divided by 400, as for instance 1700, 1800, 1900, no leap years, 1600. 2000, leap years. This system is called the Gregorian Calendar.

The Roman Catholic countries adopted the Gregprian Calendar almost immediately, but Protestant countries were slow to accept it. For instance, England didn't adopt it until 1752. By that time it was eleven days difference between the old and the new calendars. When England made the change, some people felt they were robbed. They rioted in the streets shouting, "Give us back our eleven days!"

The American colonies also adopted the Gregorian Calendar in 1752. By the way, George Washington was really born February 11, because he was born when the old style calendar was still being used. But his birthday was celebrated February 22 until 1971 when the worldly holidays were all set on a Monday so as to have longer week ends.

I read an article that in some countries Christmas was held anywhere from January 1 to January 7, which I think could be true, as January was the eleventh month and had 29 days. Caesar made it the first month and gave it 31 days. February was the twelfth month and had 29 days except leap year which had 30 days. Augustus took one day from it and added it to August. March was the first month all over the ancient world because it came at the time of the spring equinox. And so on down the line some months have been changed.

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